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Parliamentary Committee Meets: Nehru Reports His Talks With Viceroy

NEW DELHI, Aug. 19. (U.P.I.): The Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee met this morning at 9 and continued discussions till 10-15 a.m. Pandit Nehru told the Sub-Committee what transpired between him and the Viceroy last night.

It is gathered that no meeting has so far been fixed for to-day between the Congress President and the Viceroy. It is, however, understood, that in order to expedite matters meetings between the Viceroy and Pandit Nehru will take place as often as necessary at shortest possible notice.

Nehru Wavell Talks

It is gathered that Pandit Jawaharlal, Congress President, communicated to the Viceroy last night the provisional conclusions reached by him and the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee regarding the immediate formation of an Interim Government.

It is learnt from informed circles that besides discussing matters in connection with the Interim Government, Pandit Nehru discussed the Calcutta riot situation with the Viceroy.

MUSLIM PROBABLES

As the Interim Government will consist of 14 members and the Muslim quota of 5 will be maintained, it is gathered that one or two seats may be filled up by Congress Muslims and the names of Mr. Asaf Ali and Dr. Saifuddin Kitchlew are mentioned in informed quarters. The rest of Muslim members in the Cabinet are likely to be drawn from among the Nationalist Muslims, Shias, Momins and others and the names of Mr. Fazlul Huq, Mr. G. M. Syed of Sind and Mr. Mohamad Yunus of Bihar are in the field. The Parliamentary Sub-Committee is now reported to be busy finalising the names of Muslim candidates as names of others more or less have been settled.

The Calcutta riots have made a deep impression in Delhi. Congress leaders are taking a grave view of the situation, but they do not think that the Calcutta rioting should influence the formation of an Interim Government on the lines that they have suggested.

FINAL LIST WILL BE READY TO-DAY

NEW DELHI, Aug. 19 (API): The expected final list of names for the proposed new Interim Government was not ready to-day and no meeting took place between the Congress President and the Viceroy, but it is understood that letters have been exchanged. consultations with some of the persons—particularly Muslims—proposed to be included in the Government is likely to take some time but every effort is being made to complete the task by to-morrow.

It would appear that provinces like Sind, where the strength of the Government and of the Opposition is delicately balanced and each side is marshalling forces for a trial of strength, may not be able to spare for the Interim Government any one from among the elected members of the legislature. The field of choice in the provinces may therefore have to be extended outside the legislatures.

SIKH REPRESENTATIVE

While the list of Muslim names is in the process of finalisation, the Sikh position with regard to the Interim Government has been clarified by Col Niranjan Singh Gill, the Dictator of the Sikh Council of Action, who has arrived in Delhi and has had fruitful discussion with Sardar Patel and Maulana Azad, leading to full agreement on the choice of Sardar Baldev Singh as the Sikh Representative on the Interim Government.

BR. TROOPS OCCUPY TWO IRAQI TOWNS

Preparing For War In Middle-East?

Moscow Radio On Persian Reports

LONDON, August 19 (A.P.A.): Persian Press reports quoted today by Moscow radio said British troops have occupied two small Iraqi towns across the river from Abadan (Iran) where the largest refineries of the Anglo-Iranian oil company are situated.

The broadcast reported "British troops entered a small town within three kilometres of the Iranian frontier and on the morning of August 14 they entered a small town opposite Abadan."

DEPORTATION OF T. U. LEADERS

The broadcast quoted Trade Union leaders as saying "the roads on the eastern (Iranian) coast of the Shatt-el-Arab (Tigris-Euphrates) opposite Basra, are being asphalted and prepared for military purposes." The Union leaders also complained that "throughout Khuzistan mass arrests and deportations of Trade Union leaders as well as dismissal of Trade Union leaders from enterprises of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company have been going on for three weeks."

War Danger In Mid-East

LONDON, August 19 (A.P.A.): A Moscow magazine commentator accused Britain today of creating a "war danger in the Middle East" by dispatching troops to Basra.

The Moscow Radio broadcast a summary of a "New Times" article by K. Serezhin, who said that "Britain's foreign policy continues to be determined by selfish interests which are pushing her towards further expansion, towards acts that endanger the peace of the world."

More Br. Troops Arrive in Basra

MOSCOW, Aug. 19. (Reuter): The Soviet news agency quoted the Teheran Press to-day for reports that one British cruiser and five troops transports had arrived in Basra on August 11 and 12.

The reports said that British troops were active on the Persian-Iraqi frontier and that roads on the eastern coast of Shatt-el-Arab opposite Basra were being asphalted for military purposes.

RIFT IN SIKH LUTE

LAHORE, Aug. 19 (APA): The All-India Sikh League, a rival organisation to the official Akali section of the Sikhs and generally opposed to the leadership of Master Tara Singh, has dissociated itself with the Panthic Board's revised decision to go into Constituent Assembly.

The Sikh League Executive Committee which met here under the chairmanship of the 73-year-old Sikh leader, Baba Kharak Singh, adopted a resolution terming the Panthic decision "highly detrimental to the interests of the Sikhs, for like the communal award it would result in the perpetuation of the injustice done them in the British Cabinet proposals".

The resolution called upon the Sikh community "to stick to the previous (boycott) decision of the Panth and have nothing to do with the Constituent Assembly and the Interim Government".

A second resolution asked the Nizam of Hyderabad to give "real and full" representation to the Sikhs in the State Legislature.

FURTHER RISE IN FOOD PRICES

NEW DELHI, August 19 (A.P.I.): The economic Adviser's All-India index of wholesale prices of food articles (Base: Last week of August, 1939-100) worked out to 250.0 for the week ended August 3, 1946, as compared with 248.6 for the previous week.

ANOTHER 'TOP SECRET' UNEARTHED

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter): The latest leak in Washington of a British official document—"top secret" text of the Anglo-American plan for Palestine—is not expected to be a subject of British approach to the United States State Department, a British Foreign Office spokesman stated today.

The Anglo-American plan was apparently distributed by a representative to journalists in photostat copies through agencies of the United States columnist Drew Pearson, who has disclosed many secret documents to the public in the past.

The Foreign Office spokesman said that since the British Embassy in Washington had no copy of the document in question which had, in consequence, obviously been obtained from the State Department, it could confidentially be assumed that the State Department would itself wish to investigate and eliminate the source of the leak.

THREAT TO BR. EMBASSY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19. (Reuter): A telephone call warned the British Embassy to-day that the Embassy would be blown up "in ten minutes" as a protest against British Palestine policy.

A male voice declared: "This is the voice of Jewish protest. The Embassy will be blown up in ten minutes"

The security authorities were notified and these alerted policemen on duty at the Embassy gates. At the end of the ten minutes no explosion had occurred.

No further police assistance either in the search of the building or as protection was requested by the Embassy authorities.

JEWISH TERRORIST THREAT

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19, (Reuter): radio of the Jewish Terrorist Organisation Irgun Zvai Leumi last night broadcast this warning following the death sentences announced on 18 members of the Stern Gang:

"The world remembers what we did to save the lives of our two comrades. We shall fight again to save the lives of the 18 Jewish soldiers sentenced to death with complete disregard for the laws of war."

No Races To-day

Owing to rains to-day's (Tuesday's) racing at Poona has been cancelled.

C. D. Programme In Planning Stage

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (APA): A Jewish spokesman said today that details of a civil disobedience programme protesting against British authority were still in the planning stage.

He expressed the view that continued deportation of illegal immigrants and any other action which Palestine regards as provocation might have a decisive influence on the Varad Leumi (Jewish National Council) in making up its mind whether to implement its programme of non-co-operation."

AZAD MEETS VICEROY

NEW DELHI, August 19, (A.P.I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad met the Viceroy to-day at 3-30 p.m.

Maulana Azad's interview lasted just over an hour. Prof. Humayun Kabir acted as interpreter.

Abdullah's Paper Reappears

(From Our Correspondent.)

SRINAGAR, Aug. 19.

Khidmat, founded by Sheikh Abdulla, the official organ of the National Conference, resumed publication today despite censor restrictions after a suspension of three months since Sk. Abdullah's arrest. National Conference Headquarters have now been opened. Workers held a meeting there i nconnection with election work yesterday. National Flags fly at every Conference Committee office.

Bose's Call To Wavell To Visit Calcutta

Does Not Agree With Govt. Press Note Saying Situation Has Improved

"STATESMAN" REVEALS STAGGERING CASUALTIES

CALCUTTA, August 19.

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose tried to contact His Excellency the Viceroy over the trunk telephone to-day but was not able to do so. He was informed that the Viceroy was not available at the moment.

CALL TO VICEROY TO VISIT CALCUTTA

Mr. Bose, it is learnt, desired to impress on the Viceroy the seriousness of the Calcutta situation and ask him personally to visit Calcutta and see conditions in the city.

STILL VERY EXPLOSIVE

It is further understood that Mr. Bose does not agree with the Bengal Government's appreciation of the situation, given at a Press Conference to-day. He considers the situation to be still very explosive. In his view, in the Entally, Park Circus, Boundli Road, Tollygunj and Kidderpore areas it is most necessary to keep military pickets posted in order to prevent mobs from doing mischief.

GOVT. PRESS NOTE

The Government of Bengal have issued the following Press Note at 7 p.m. to-day:

"There was a very marked improvement in the situation in Calcutta at the end of the day. Combined military and police operations have restored confidence and people are now moving about more freely on the streets A few trams were run towards the end of the afternoon.

"Though the general situation

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Telegraph & Telephone Services Suspended

NEW DELHI, August 19 (A.P.I.): The telegraph and telephone service to Calcutta is suspended until further notice, says a Press Note. This step has had to be taken in view of the fact that telegraph and telephone staff are unable to reach their places of work due to the disturbed conditions prevailing in Calcutta.

POSTAL PARCELS AND LETTERS

The public are also advised not to post letters and parcels for Calcutta and its town sub-offices as no deliveries can be effected till the situation has returned to normal.

TELEGRAMS TO CALCUTTA

BOMBAY, August 19: A telegraph notification states with immediate effect and until further orders no repeat no booking of telegrams of any class except Government clear line and express inland press are allowed for Calcutta and its suburbs.

a climax after the meeting in the maidan and mobs returning from the meeting started indiscriminate loot and murder. Strange to say that even at this stage, Sec. 144 was not promulgated nor the military called out

"There can be no doubt that responsibility for all that has happened must be borned by the Ministry of Bengal. They proclaimed a Direct Action Day without taking proper steps to maintain order and discipline among their followers Nor did they take the necessary precautions against any outbreak of disorder and violence by arranging for requisite police and military pickets To make matters worse, by declaring August 16 as a Public Holiday, they gave Government sanction to the observance of the League's Direct Action Day. This was interpreted by hooligans and ruffians that the Government was behind in whatever they did.

"SITUATION UNDER CONTROL"

"If sec. 144 had been declared on the morning of August 16th, the riots would perhaps have not started at all. If sec. 144 and total curfew had been declared even on the evening of the 16th, thousands of lives would have been spared and valuable property saved. I learnt from H. E. the Viceroy at three P.M. this afternoon that the situation is now somewhat under control. Though one cannot be fully assured by a temporary we all fervently hope that the situation has taken a turn for the better."

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ANOTHER SHIP NEARING HAIFA

JERUSALEM, August 19 (Reuter): Another ship bringing Jewish illegal immigrants was nearing Haifa, according to an unconfirmed report reaching here tonight.

U. S. PLANE FIRED AT

ROME, August 19 (Reuter): A United States passenger plane on an ordinary flight from Vienna to Udine, Italy, was tonight some hours overdue after sending out an S. O. S. that it was being fired on by tracer bullets and anti-aircraft guns, it was officially announced at the United States Mediterranean Headquarters.

Sir Andrew Clow, Acting Governor of Bombay (in overcoat) arrived in Bombay on Monday.

AZAD HOLDS BENGAL GOVT. RESPONSIBLE FOR RIOTS

"Ministry's Definite Assurances About Hartal Not Honoured: Military Should Have Been Called Out Earlier"

NEW DELHI, Aug. 19. (A.P.I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, interviewed by the Associated Press of India on the Calcutta disturbances, said that the responsibility "for all that has happened" must be borne by the Ministry of Bengal.

He said that full reports were not as yet available about the extent of death and damage caused by the riots in Calcutta. All reports, however, agreed that over 2,000 persons had been murdered and countless men, women and children injured. The damage to property was immeasurable and large stocks of food grains in a province faced with the threat of famine had been wantonly destroyed. What was most deplorable was that all this was due to acts for which responsibility must be shared by the Government."

"MINISTRY'S ASSURANCE NOT HONOURED."

"The Bengal Ministry" he said, "had given definite assurances to the Legislative Council that no compulsion would be exercised on anybody for observing hartal on the 16th instant. Unimpeachable reports indicate that this assurance was not honoured. From the morning of the 16th shops that had not closed were attacked by organised bands shouting League slogans and Government made no attempts whatever to check their activities or prevent clashes that were taking place. Things reached

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Suburban Cattle Owners' Faith In Congress Govt.

At a general meeting of the members of the Bombay Suburban Cattle Owners' Association held at Santa Cruz East on Sunday under the presidentship of Rajaram Jitsingh, the following resolutions were passed:—

It is imperative to approach the Provincial Government with the request that the distribution of cattle feed should be handed over directly to this Association.

The attitude demonstrated by various persons in the last meeting of milk producers in Bombay was rather disgusting. Most of the statements were calculated to give offence to the popular Government, for which this Association, with all regards has a deep sympathy.

Further, all the milk producers are urged to approach the Government with their legitimate demands; there is no reason why their grievances should not be redressed.

Two More "Satyagrahis" Released

Two more Scheduled castes Federation Satyagrahis have been released on tendering apology. The total number of Satyagrahis thus released so far is 338.

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Moneylenders' Operations To Be Controlled

Bombay Govt. Move To Protect The Poor From Exploitation

The operations of money-lenders in Bombay Province are sought to be controlled by the Government of Bombay through a bill called the Bombay Moneylenders Bill, says a press note.

It has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of August 19 and is expected to be introduced in the forthcoming session of the Legislative Assembly.

The statement of objects and reasons of the Bill says:—

NEED FOR ADEQUATE MEASURES

"If a concerted attempt is to be made to improve the economic condition of the bulk of the rural population and the poorer sections of the population in towns and cities, it is necessary that adequate measures should be taken to protect these persons from exploitation by other sections of the community.

"The poorer individual is at present unable to resist the economic forces that surround him; and unless the State intervenes and protects his legitimate economic rights it will not be possible to restore to him the keenness and initiative which are essential for increased productive effort on his part.

"In the case of the agrarian population the Agriculturist Debtors Relief Act will adjust and liquidate existing debts, but controlled credit must be provided in future for short-term and long-term agricultural finance in order to secure that the agrarian population will not get hopelessly into debt again.

"Similarly, in towns and cities a large section of the labour and lower middle class population are exploited by many unscrupulous money-lenders and it is, therefore, necessary to control the operations of the latter all over the Province.

A Bill to regulate the transactions of money-lenders in the Province of Bombay was introduced by the popular Government when it was in power in 1938; but this Bill could not be enacted before it went once in 1939. The present Bill is drafted mainly on the basis of the old Bill introduced in 1938 with a few changes considered necessary to secure more efficient control of the business of money-lending and expeditious disposal in the administration of the Act.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL

"Broadly speaking, the provision of the Bill aim a securing the following:

(1) Registration and licensing of money-lenders (Clauses 3 to 17);

(2) Maintenance of accounts by licensed money-lenders in prescribed forms (Clause 18);

(3) Furnishing of periodical statements of accounts to debtors (Clause 19);

(4) The enforcement of the rule of dandupat (Clause 23);

(5) Limitation of the rates of interest (Clause 25);

(6) Prohibition against taking any unlawful charges for expenses, etc. (Clause 26);

(7) Making the provisions of the Act applicable to persons to whom money-lenders may assign their interests in the loans after the coming into force of this Act (Clauses 27 and 28);

(8) Applications to Court by debtors for taking accounts and for having amounts due from them determined (Clause 30);

(9) Provision to entitle a debtor to deposit at any time in a court of law an amount in part or full payment of the loan to be paid to his creditor (Clause 31);

(10) Prohibition against leaving blanks or omitting to enter or incorrectly entering the amount of the loan in any document (Clause 32);

(11) Protection of debtors from molestation and intimidation (Clause 33); and

(12) Freedom from arrest or imprisonment in execution of a money decree so far as agricultural debtors are concerned (Clause 36)."

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The Company possessed Rs. 62,50,000/- as total assets in hand.

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BOMBAY BANK EMPLOYEES' UNIONS SERVE STRIKE NOTICES

In pursuance of the decision of the Federation of Bank Employees, Bombay, the following Bank Unions have served 14 days' strike notice on their respective Managements:—

Lloyds Bank Staff Union, Grindlay & Co. (Bankers and Agents) Staff Union, Allahabad Bank Employees' Union, Union Bank Employees' Union, Punjab National Bank Employees' Union, Hindustan Commercial Bank Employees' Union, Bank of Jaipur Employees' Union, Exchange Bank of India and Africa Employees' Union, Calcutta National Bank Staff Union, National Savings Bank Employees' Union, Canara Bank Employees' Union and Laxmi Bank Employees' Union.

Besides the above mentioned Unions the Central Bank Employees' Union has served the Strike Notice on Saturday. In the course of the next two or three days the remaining 19 affiliated Bank Unions will follow suit.

V. G. DALVI FOR DELHI

To Discuss Left-Over Demands Of Post And Telegraph Men

BOMBAY, August 19 (A.P.I.): Mr. V. G. Dalvi, General Secretary of the All-India Postmen and Lower Grade Staff Union including R.M.S. will meet the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs at New Delhi on August 22 to discuss some of the demands of the Union left over.

The Executive Council of the All-India Postmen and Lower Grade Staff Union will also meet in Delhi on August 22 and 23 to discuss questions arising out of the strike and the withdrawal of the recognition of the All-India Telegraph Union by the Director-General.

Mr. Dalvi is leaving for Delhi tonight.

G.I.P. School Teachers To Strike

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Aug. 19.

Soon in the wake of the primary teachers' strike, the teachers of the secondary schools of Khar, Santacruz, Vile Parle and Andheri had submitted their grievances to the respective institutional authorities. The staff of the G. I. P. H. School at Vile Parle have addressed a letter to the authorities that if their grievances do not receive proper hearing. They will go on strike. They demand revision of existing lowgrade and a definite scale of promotion. Besides they demand provident fund scheme or a gratuity scheme. The notice expires on Saturday next.

It should be noted that the Khar and Santacruz educational authorities have sympathetically considered the grievances of the teachers.

Agent Does Not Know About Date Of S.I.R. Strike

MADRAS, Aug. 18. (API): The railway has no official information of the exact date on which the proposed labour union strike would commence, said Mr. J. F. O Reynolds, General Manager, South Indian Railway in a press interview today.

Mr. Reynolds arrived in Madras this morning en route to Delhi.

WAR FOR WORLD CONQUEST

American Atom Scientist's Way To End War

WASHINGTON, August 19 (A.P.A.): Harold Utey, Nobel Prize Winner, said today it might be a "strict necessity" for the United States to wage war to control the world before others get the atom bomb.

Dr. Utey, one of the principal contributors to the new weapon, said that is a course he would not like, but it was one of the three open to the United States if war was to be eliminated.

In the first issue of the magazine "Air Services" he wrote that the other choices were:

(1) Building up stockpiles of atom bombs and other weapons, without attempting controls, until civilization is ultimately destroyed;

(2) International control of major weapons including the atom bomb.

Indian Delegation To East Africa

NEW DELHI, August 19 (A.P.I.): The Indian Delegation to East Africa, consisting of Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Mr. K. Sarwar Hasan, and Mr. C. S. Jha, leave for Nairobi, via Cairo, on August 21. They expect to reach Nairobi on August 25.

Sir Maharaj Singh told an "A.P.I." correspondent today: "Throughout our tour we shall keep in closest touch with our fellow-countrymen in East Africa. It will be our duty and privilege to help them as far as we possibly can."

He added that he had visited these countries before and appreciated fully the difficulties which confronted Indians there. "But, if, as we believe, our cause is just, we shall continue to hope for the best."

"The reasons for our going", he said, "are mainly the immigration bills which were drafted earlier this year by the various Governments in East Africa, and which the East African Indians feel are damaging to their interests."

The delegation expects to visit Uganda, Tanganyika and probably Zanzibar and will be back in India by the last week of September.

Netherlands To Control Trade Between Singapore And East Indies

SINGAPORE, Aug 18, (Reuter): The Netherlands Consul General in Singapore today issued a notice regulating trade between Singapore and the Netherlands Indies. The notice states that with the exception of native produce originating from this Archipelago near Singapore export of goods from the Netherlands Indies without permit issued by the Netherlands Indies Government is prohibited.

Patrol vessels of the Netherlands Indies Government will enforce control. Permit will have to be obtained for export from Sumatra of all estate produce including rubber, which according to the Malayan statistics department totalled 40,000 tons from Sumatra alone in the first six months of the year.

The notice makes a provision when produce is obtained from Indonesian held ports, it will have to be taken to certain specified examination stations notably the Rhio Archipelago where assessment of duties will be made. According to the notice, control is instituted to prevent exports detrimental to the general welfare of the country, prevent exportation of looted property and ensure payment of export dues.

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Established shippers of cotton waste blankets are hereby informed that licenses for the export of cotton waste blankets will now be issued to them up to the extent of the annual quotas admissible to them for each destination minus the quantities, if any, already licensed to them since Jan. 1, says a press note issued by the Export Trade Controller, Bombay. If an exporter has been granted a licence or licences for a quantity in excess of his annual quota during the period Jan. 1 to May 28, 1946, no further licenses will be issued to him. Applications for the extension of the validity period of the licenses already granted will be considered on merits in accordance with the general rules in force in respect of quantities up to the annual quota admissible in each case.

Established shippers are therefore requested to submit their applications as usual along with a statement showing the license numbers and dates issued to them since Jan. 1 and the quantities covered by each license.

LANDSLIDE ON B.N.R

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (API). Through running between Pardol and Chirimiri stations on the Central India Coalfields Branch of the B. N. Railway has been interrupted since Aug. 17 on account of landslides at two points on the section, wires the D.T.O., Bilaspur.

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6. S. ASEERVADAM PILLAI, Esq., Landlord and Contractor, Mettur Dam
7. V. S. RATNAM, Esq., B.Sc., A.M.I.E. (Special Director) Salem Road, Salem Junction.

REGISTERED OFFICE: Salem Road, Salem Junction.

MANAGING AGENTS: Messrs. V. S. Ratnam & Co., Salem Road, Salem Jn.

BANKERS: 1. The Central Bank of India, Ltd., Salem. 2. The Indian Overseas Bank, Ltd., Salem and Branches. 3. Indian Bank, Ltd., Salem, Bangalore & Madras.

AUDITORS: N. V. Subramaniam, Esq., B.A., G.D.A., R.A., Salem, and Messrs. Ramadhyani & Co., Bangalore.

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OBJECTS

The Company has been formed primarily with the object of purchasing over the complete equipment for the business of manufacturing Non-Ferrous Metal Sheet from V. S. Ratnam, Esq., B.Sc., A.M.I.E., who has had previous experience in the line and has installed and worked similar plants at Mettur Dam. The present plant when completed will represent a bigger and more improved installation.

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The value of the entire machinery and equipment as also the site for building and building materials has been estimated at Rs. 6,50,415 by Mr. S. R. V. Iyer, B.Sc., (Eng.), A.M.I.E. (Ind.), A.M.I.S.E., Chartered Engineer, Bangalore, on the basis of actual valuation of the items which are already in existence and on the basis of drawings in respect of those that are still to be obtained. The machinery will be delivered in two stages. The first stage will be completed in six months by the company and will constitute a working plant capable of producing 3 tons per day. When all the machinery is delivered and erected the daily production capacity will be about five tons.

On a conservative estimate based upon pre-war prices the Directors expect that a net profit of Rs. 1,25,000 per year can be made on the output of sheets with a production capacity of three tons per day, not taking into consideration other by-products and auxiliary industries.

The Company will be under the management of Messrs. V. S. Ratnam & Co., as per terms and conditions for 20 years, on an office allowance of Rs. 1,000/- per month from the date of incorporation and commission of 10% on the annual net profits of the company. The management will not receive any commission if the dividend falls below six per cent on ordinary shares. Mr. V. S. Ratnam, B.Sc., A.M.I.E., sole proprietor of the Managing Agency firm is well known in Industrial circles and his wide experience, knowledge and reputation will prove of great value to the company.

Mr. V. S. Ratnam is interested in selling the complete equipment of machinery and plant to the company. No other director has any interest other than as a share holder in the promotion of the company.

No promotion fee or commission has been made or will be made. Brokerage will be paid to recognised brokers and Bankers at the rate of two annas per ordinary share and eight annas only per Preference share in respect of shares allotted on applications bearing their stamps.

Copies of the complete prospectus and forms of application may be had from the Registered Office of the Company or from any of the Company's Bankers mentioned above. Cheques on stations other than Salem, Bangalore and Madras should include collection charges.

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Sunrise: 6-21 a.m. Sunset: 7-4 p.m.
Hightide: 05-12, 16-56.
Lowtide: 10-47, 23-40.

Today's Engagements

K. R. CAMA DEATH ANNIVERSARY: Under the joint auspices of the Rahnumai Sabha and the Gatha Society the death anniversary of the Oriental Scholar the late Mr. K. R. Cama will be observed today, at Cama Oriental Institute, Apollo Street, Jashan ceremony, at 5 p.m. At 6 p.m. a fluction will be held when Dr. Taraporewala, Dasturji Bode, Miss Shroff, Ervad Panthaki and others will speak. Mr. S. N. Kanga will preside.

SARASWAT BRAHMAN SAMAJ: The anniversary of late Mr. Kashinath Trimbak Telang will be celebrated in the Samaj Hall, Nakadwari Lane, today, when Mr. Kashinath Bhavanishankar Sukhtankar, will speak on "Telang and Hindoo Religion".

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: Voluntary Social Workers' Training Class will meet at League's Head Office, Sandhurst Road, at 6-30 p.m., today, when Dr. K. S. Mhaskar, will speak on "Nutrition and Dietetics."

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Mr. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the India League, London, will meet the members and guests of the Progressive Group at Green's Hotel, today, at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY ALL MALAYALEE CONFERENCE: Debate on "Congress has not Lost its Revolutionary Character" at Podar College, Matunga, at 5-30 p.m., today.

SANSKAR MANDAL: 'Musical Evening' at 5 p.m., today, at Sir Cowasji Jehagir Hall. Programme consists of vocal and instrumental music, dances, Garbas, Rasas.

BOMBAY POSTAL UNION: An Extra ordinary general meeting of the Union in the Wagle Hall, Kandewadi, at 4 p.m. today. Mr. M. N. Talpade, will preside.

SANSKAR MANDAL: Musical evening at 5 p.m. today at Sir Cowasji Jahangir Hall under the presidentship of Seth Vithaldas Pitamberdas. Ramchandra Pal, Haridas Paleja, Prof. V. M. Maniar etc., will give their items.

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM: Lecture on "Kappalottia Tamilan" by Shri Veerabhagu Pillai, Member of the Constituent Assembly (Madras). At South Indian Education Society's High School, Matunga, at 5 P.M. today.

YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCIATION: Today Janmashtami celebration at 5 P.M. at Anand Bhuvan Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road when Sardar Pratapsingh will preside. Programme will include Bhajan Recital by Shaheer Thakur, disciple of Sant Tukdoji Maharaj.

16MM FILM SHOW: All Cinema Producers, Distributors and Exhibitors as well as Headmasters, Press Representatives and other persons interested in 16mm Audio Visual Education are cordially invited to the Metro Theatre, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, to witness the demonstration of the new AMPRO 16mm Sound Projector.

HEALTH DEPT., BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY: Free anti-typhoid mass inoculation, at Byculla Station, Delisle Road, on Wednesday, at 4 p.m., (S. T.).

Govt. Grain Shops Remain Closed To-day

All Ward Rationing Offices, Government Grain Shops, Government Godowns and Skim Milk Powder Depots in Bombay City and Suburbs will remain closed to-day (August 20), which is a public holiday on account of Gokul Asthami.

Sales Tax & Doctors

The Hon. Jt. Secretary, Bombay Provincial Branch, Indian Medical Association, writes: The Bombay Government proposes to include the Doctors keeping dispensaries, nursing homes and hospitals under the Act. The Act is meant for 'dealers' and the Medical profession can never be treated as such. In our opinion the Act is not applicable to us and we should refuse to be included under the Act. Doctors are requested not to register their names under the Act. We should be prepared to fight our way through. Enquiries may be made from Hon. Provincial Secretary Bombay Provincial Branch, I.M.A., Shri Niwas Building, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4.

INDIAN ARCHAEOLOGIST PASSES AWAY

RAJKOT, August 18 (A.P.I.): The death has occurred of Dr. Hirananda Sastri, former Government epigraphist for India and Director of Archaeology, Baroda State, which took place at his residence at Gurudaspen. Dr. Sastri was responsible for the excavation of more than 200 silver coins of Kumar Gupta 1st at Amreli, the discovery of the temples of Rama, Luxman at some distance from Dwarka and deciphering a Brahmi inscription on a potshead recovered from the site of the old Sankhoddhara of the Mahabharata fame in Okhamandal.

TODAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, Aug. 20.

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Keep Fit 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 D'Amel (Flute) 8-45 Pinakin Trivedi 9-0 R. N. Paradkar 9-20 Vinayakrao Patwardhan 11-0 Krishna Mahima 11-30 Saraswati Rane 12-0 Bar Ne Takore (G).

12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Panna Bai (Lucknow) (Vocal) 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music 4-20 R. N. Paradkar 4-50 D'Amel (Flute) 5-15 Lalita Venkatraman 5.45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Record 6-20 B. B. C. Cricket Commentary 6-45 Recorded Programme 7-0 Natwarlal No Garbo (Gujarti Rupak in celebration of "Janmashthami") 7-30 Panna Bai (Vocal) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Marathi Wangmaya Ani Atmanishta (Discussion in Marathi between S. K. Kanitsagar and Kusumavati Deshpande) 8-45 Sher Khwani (Recitation of poems of Sauda by Mankash Najmi) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 B. B. C. Cricket Commentary 9-45 Principles of rural development: Talk by M. L. Dantwala 10-0 Ernst Politzer: Violoncello 10-20 Interlude 10-30 Kaye Grant: (Soprano, Songs by Grieg) 10-40 Columbia Broadcasting Sym. Orch.

Weather News For Farmers
Forecast Till Wednesday Morning

BOMBAY: Monday: Rainfall will be widespread and moderate to heavy in Kathiawar, Gujarat, the Konkan-patti, Khandesh Mawal, the Deccan, the Bombay Karnatak, Marathawada and central Hyderabad. Scattered and light rain will occur in the Hyderabad Karnatak and in Telungana.

Heavy rainfall warning: Locally very heavy rain will occur in Kathiawar, Gujarat, Khandesh and Mawal.

Outlook for further 2 days: Monsoon will continue to be strong.

Mr B. B. Konnur, L.T.C., a young Kannadiga, dyer and bleacher of Century Mills, Bombay who sailed recently to England by S.S. "Strathand" for further studies in textile chemistry.

Sri Krishna Jayanti Programme

At Ramakrishna Mission, Khar: At 6 p.m., today, Mr. Rambhai Bakshi, Mr. Sahu Modak, Mr. V. H. Mehta, Swami Satsavrupanada, Swami Sambuddhananda and others will speak. Bhajan and speeches special programme.

AT GAUDIYA MATH: Shri Krishna Jayanti (Jamastami) will be celebrated on Tuesday and Nandotsav on Wednesday at Math premises, Culliandas Building, Gowalia Tank Road. Jayanti Day:—Samkirtanam 5 to 6 p.m., Lecture in English 6 to 7 p.m., Aratrikam 7-15 to 7-30 p.m., Lecture in Hindi 8 to 10 p.m., Samkirtanam, Exposition of Srimad Bhagavatam, Worship, Offerings and Aratrikam 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Nandotsav Day:—Programme commences at 6 p.m.

RAMANA SATCHIDANANDA SAMAJ will celebrate "Gokulashtami" today, at its premises, Bhuta Nivas, King's Circle, Matunga.

"CHARITY MORNING SHOW": Gokhul Ashtami Special For National cause, "Gentleman Jim", at 10 a.m., today, at City Light (B. B. Matunga), in aid of Azad Hind Dal, Dadar, Shivaji Park, Matunga (G. I. P.).

AT BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: At 6 p.m., to-day, programme includes Kirtan by Prof. Sitaram Chaturvedi.

Khadi And Gramodyoga Exhibition In Bombay

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, the Khadi Gramodyoga Samiti has decided to hold in Bombay an All-India Khadi and Gramodyoga Exhibition on the occasion of the ensuing Gandhi Jayanti.

The Khadi and Gramodyoga Samiti of the B. P. C. C. has appointed a special Committee under the presidentship of a veteran Khadi lover, Dada Saheb Parulekar. The secretaries are Shri Harjivan Kotak, Shrilal Bhatt, C. V. Varad, Smt. Lilaben Patel and Shri Bhanushankar Yagnik, Shri Ratanshi Champsey has been elected treasurer.

The Exhibition will be dividend into various sections such as demonstration of the processes of manufacture in different types of village industries and spinning and other processes of Khadi manufacture, an education section where instructive charts, photos, maps and statistics, will be displayed to depict the village life village folks and village industries and a sale section too. Artisans and manufacturers from all over India have been invited to attend the Exhibition.

The Exhibition will be held at Ram Baug, Vithalbhai Patel Road, near C. P. Tank. A temporary office of the Exhibition Committee has been opened at Ganesh Baug, Dadisheth Agiari Lane, Bombay 2.

Scheme For Popularisation Of Hindusthani

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (API): A scheme for the popularisation of Hindusthani in the country will be discussed by the general body of the All-India Hindusthani Prachar Sabha meeting at Wardha on Aug. 21 under the Presidentship of Mahatma Gandhi.

The scheme, after approval, is likely to be recommended for adoption by the Congress Ministries in the Provinces.

Southern Metals & Alloys Ltd.

Elsewhere in this issue is published an announcement about a new floatation in Salem, South India, called the Southern Metals and Alloys Ltd., which has been formed for the purpose of taking over a complete equipment for the manufacture of non-ferrous metal sheets from Mr. V. S. Ratnam, B.Sc., A.M.I.E. a well-known engineer with considerable experience in the erection and working of similar plants.

South India is the most important centre for the production and consumption of non-ferrous metals, and in the progress of industrialisation of India non-ferrous metals and their products have a key place. There is at present a wide market for them and the industry is capable of considerable expansion, as with the progress of industrialisation there will be increasing use of these products in various subsidiary industries.

With the large amount of surplus, salvage and scrap metal and metal products now available, a ready and expanding market and experienced and qualified personnel to work the scheme, it will be possible to build up a sound position in a short time.

Air Services Of India Ltd. Revised Timings Of Arrival And Departure At Juhu Aerodrome

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Departures for Jamnagar, Bhuj and Karachi - (Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays) 7.00 A.M.

Arrivals from Bhuj and Jamnagar - (Wednesdays, Fridays & Sundays) 1.45 P.M.

Arrivals from Karachi, Bhuj and Jamnagar - (Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays) 6.00 P.M.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Aug. 19, (A. P. I.): Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from June 1, 1946, and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on August 19:—

Abu 74 69 0.3 20.9 minus 20.7, Ahmedabad 84 77 0.9 21.3 minus 0.7, Ahmednagar 83 71 0.1 8.5 minus 2.09, Allahabad 94 83 0 28.6 minus 13.2 Baroda 86 77 2.8 32.1 nil, BOMBAY 81 76 1.6 50.2 minus 2.2, Calcutta nil, Colombo 87 75 0.2 3.3 minus 2.4, Delhi 94 81 0 18.1 plus 3.1, Hyderabad (Dn) 75 72 0.6 14.1 plus 0.4, Indore 83 74 0.7 40.5 plus 18.4, Jaipur 86 78 0 22.1 plus 7.4, Karachi 86 81 0 3.8 0 minus 1.4, Lahore 96 79 0 13.5 minus 3.1, Lucknow 94 82 0 21.4 minus 2.5, Madras 90 81 0 9.0 plus 0.8, Mahableshwar 66 62 9.7 234.9 plus 32.3, Mysore 78 68 0 9.8 plus 3.5, Nagpur 88 75 0.5 37.3 plus 7.3, Peshawar 96 79 0 0.4 minus 2.9, Poona 80 71 0.4 15.8 plus 2.1, Quetta 93 61 0 2.3 plus 1.3, Rajkot 86 76 0.5 19.4 plus 1.4, Sholapur 83 73 0.1 14.7 plus 3.9, Simla 70 60 1.2 32.5 minus 1.9, Srinagar 86 64 0.0 4.4 minus 1.0, Surat 84 78 0.2 45.4 plus 14.3.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

No Book is worth anything which is not worth much; nor is it serviceable, until it has been read, and re-read, and loved, and loved again; and marked, so that you can refer to the passages you want in it, as a soldier can seize the weapon he needs in an armoury, or a housewife brings the spice she needs from her store.

—Ruskin.

The Bombay Chronicle

THE THREE MUST MEET

The bloody riots in Calcutta have filled all India, if not the world, with horror. Even those who for one reason or other were complacent on the eve of the Direct Action Day, or on the day itself must now be, we have no doubt, aghast at the last four days' orgy of murders and arson. According to the staff reporter of the "Statesman", the death roll on the first three days of the riots was between 2,000 and 3,000 and it was impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of the number of injured, but it cannot but run into many thousands. According to the Associated Press of America, "vulture and crows pecked at dead bodies which remained where they had fallen" and the A.P.A. correspondent's car "had to weave down road to avoid running over corpses"; and at one point "several bodies were tossed on cart with flies swarming over them". The hospitals are choked with thousands of the injured, the dead and the dying. Cases of actual or attempted arson were over a thousand in the first three days. Transport has been utterly dislocated, telephones have been closed. The authorities find it difficult even to run over the dead and the dying from the streets. If it is true that even the armed police find it difficult to tackle mobs, some of which are said to be armed with long-range bore-guns, it is a grave portent, indeed. If the ration shops, many of which are closed, continue to be closed or looted, tens of thousands will very soon be on the verge of death by sheer starvation. Indeed, it is as if there were no administration in the city and it seems impossible to forecast when normal or at least tolerable, conditions can be restored.

The immediate question is what is to be done to arrest the communal frenzy that has seized large sections of the city's public. A responsible paper like the "Statesman", which cannot be accused of being biassed against the Muslim League or its Government, is reported to have said: "The Muslim League Ministry in Bengal must be immediately dismissed by action of the Governor, Sir Fredrick Burrows. Which kind of Government should take its place is immaterial, but the present ministry must go". And the paper asks: "What further testimony does the Governor and the Viceroy want to dismiss the ministry"? We do not rule out the expediency, in certain conceivable circumstances under the present constitution, of the Governor dismissing a ministry. But first every possible method of Indians settling their own problems without the initiation of a non-Indian must be tried even if it means, in the present case, the resignation of the present ministry for the patent reason that it has miserably failed to maintain law and order. It is certainly a wholesome constitutional principle for every responsible Government to resign when it is found to be demonstrably incompetent, however well-meaning and conscientious it may be. But whether or not the present Bengal ministry resigns, the Government must at once summon a small meeting of leaders of all parties, including of course the ministers to devise possible methods of bringing the situation under control pending a settlement of the political question the dispute about which is, to our mind, the root cause of the riots in Calcutta and communal unrest in many other parts of the country. That question is the composition of the Interim Government.

Easily the first step towards a settlement of this question is for the Viceroy and the President of the Congress and the League to meet immediately to consider the formation of the Interim Government. The first meeting at least should be absolutely unconditional. Every possible effort should then be made to form a Government on some basis or other acceptable to the three, of course, without prejudice to the principles governing the National Government to be formed in accordance with the decisions of the Constituent Assembly. In the altered circumstances indicated by the Viceroy's invitation to the Congress President to form a Government and portended by the general unrest among the Muslims all over the country, the Congress can afford to be, and needs to be, generous to the League, without the least prejudice to the cause of responsible Government. A grand gesture by Congress may have immediate happy result not easily foreseen otherwise. That the Congress is alive to the need for such a gesture is evident from Maulana Abul Kalam Azad's statement issued on Sunday. As Maulana Azad says, "the times are critical and momentous and nothing should be done in haste or anger". We trust there will be the right response to his appeal to the leaders of the League "to survey the situation dispassionately and come to a decision which will be of benefit to the country and the community alike". If, however, as a result of the meeting between the Viceroy, the Congress President and the League President no agreement, unfortunately is arrived at, a Government as representative as possible must be the alternative. There should be no doubt about that.

Frankly Speaking

Mr. Jinnah Is Wrong

Considering the present temper as regards the political situation any misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the opposite party, whether unconscious, genuinely mistaken or otherwise is, if seriously set forth, extremely dangerous. It not only defeats efforts at any settlement, but it also very surely further exacerbates mutual bitterness. It is for this reason that we must specially note two particular points in Mr. Jinnah's answer to the observations of the Congress President, which the latter made at his last Press Conference in Bombay. "When", says Mr. Jinnah, "he (Pandit Nehru) was asked if the Muslim League resorted to direct action when power is handed over to the Congress, What would be the attitude of the Congress, Pandit Nehru replied making it clear that they would crush the Muslim League or, if they fail, the Government would go down." Mr. Jinnah has not quoted the Congress President's words correctly. What the latter actually said was—we extract the report from the non-Congress press—this: "Replying to a question as to what the Interim Government, if and when it was formed by the Congress, would do to meet the Muslim League threat of direct action, the Congress President said if the movement was directed against the Government and if the Government was weak, the Government would go down; on the other hand, if the Government was strong, the movement would go down." This is nothing more and nothing less than the statement of a very simple and obvious truth about any struggle between two contestants, about any direct action movement involving a particular party and Government. It applies to Mr. Jinnah's own statements and his League Council resolution, too. If his direct action is not launched in order to force the Government to "go down", then, in the name of common sense and logic, what will it be launched for? And can one not, in imitation of Mr. Jinnah use the word "crush", the word which Pandit Nehru never used? In fact, it is the Muslim League which, one can reasonably argue, is out to "crush" the Congress because "Direct Action" will be its own initiative with the Government taking defensive action. Surely, the League President ought to have realised the implications of what he was saying?

This Must Be Stopped

The second point relates to what is a very plain misinterpretation of the Congress President's explanation. Mr. Jinnah has attributed Pandit Nehru's reference to "the lame, the halt and the blind" to the Muslim League. This is simply absurd. No sane person can possibly regret the non-co-operation of an organisation in one breath and in the very next breath contemptuously spurn the idea of co-operation with it as "the lame, the halt and the blind." What was actually said? The Congress President regretted League non-co-operation, repeated the assurance that the door would always remain open for the League and then declared that he was in the meantime still going to seek—minus, of course the League—the largest measure of co-operation, that is to say, from other parties and groups. It was this "largest measure of co-operation" which he qualified with the reservation which Mr. Jinnah has quite wrongly alleged to have been directed at the League. Congress is very earnestly trying to form a Government, despite Mr. Jinnah's refusal, based on the "largest measure of co-operation" of all groups and minorities. But there are elements in this country—not the Muslim League—which are "lame, halt and blind", whose co-operation cannot be sought, who have not been approached by Pandit Nehru and for whom the door is not open much less can it "remain open." Mr. Jinnah himself cannot pretend ignorance of such reactionary elements in the body politic of the country. It is a pity that a man of Mr. Jinnah's undoubted abilities should persuade himself to understand the Congress President as meaning precisely what he did not mean. We have referred to these two unfortunate misrepresentations because we fear that they may create mischief. Mr. Jinnah's statements are invariably further amplified and exaggerated to the level of fiery shrieks by his lieutenants and the League press. It is almost a certainty that his present misinterpretations, even though unconscious, would develop into wild cries that Jawaharlal had insulted the League and ten crore Muslims by calling them "lame, halt and blind", that he had threatened to "crush" the League and that generally he had declared war on the Muslim nation. This, we suggest to Mr. Jinnah should be stopped.

Turkish Armenians' Answer

According to a United Press of America report from Ankara, the Russians have been making efforts to ensure Armenian immigration, particularly from Turkey into Soviet Armenia. The same message also states that the Turkish authorities have again published the assurance that no difficulties will be raised for those wishing to go. Yet, despite Turkish assurances and Russian efforts, what is the response? Only 700 out of 56,000 Armenians in Istanbul, for instance, are willing to go. Indeed, Armenian newspapers even declare categorically that "Armenians in Turkey do not wish to emigrate." For more than fifty years, the relations between Armenians and Turks had, thanks mainly to incitements of the former by foreign Powers, been of the very worst. Against that background their unwillingness to leave Turkey is a great compliment to the present Turkish regime and its policy. But what we want to emphasise more particularly is the fact that it exposes rather neatly the recent demands made on behalf of Soviet Armenia for certain Turkish territories in the name and alleged interests of Turkish Armenians.

V.J.T. Institute

The Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay, may be congratulated on its being enabled to provide a degree course in Textile Technology. This Institute, which is one of the oldest and best of its kind in the country, has so far provided diploma courses in several branches of Engineering, such as mechanical, electrical, sanitary and textile and also in Technical Chemistry. It is also providing certificate courses in a number of technological subjects in its continuation classes. The inauguration of the Textile degree course has long been over-due and, indeed, there is also urgent need for introducing in the Institute degree courses in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. That is partly because in Bombay Province there is only one Engineering College in Poona, another one at the Ahmedabad being only under contemplation. Inaugurating the Textile Degree Course on Sunday, Mr. B. G. Kher our Prime Minister, rightly suggested that in view of the vast programmes of reconstruction and industrial expansion in other parts of the world, it is essential that both equipment and technical education should be obtainable in our country for any appreciable industrial development. Bombay Province should see to it that it maintains its place in the forefront both in respect of industrial progress and adequate facilities for all kinds of technical education.

Check That Horrible Man-Slaughter

Bombay Mayor's Appeal To Leaders Of All Parties In Calcutta

P. C. JOSHI PARTS COMPANY WITH LEAGUE

"I am deeply touched to read the reports of the serious riots taking place in Calcutta" says Mr. M. I. Rowjee, Mayor of Bombay, in a statement.

BENGAL GOVT. TO BLAME.

"It is really amazing, he says "that the Bengal Government could not control the situation at the proper juncture, but remained unprepared thus allowing the situation to become so grave as to cause great damage to life and property.

"I believe that such homicidal methods would not help us in deciding the future destiny of our motherland, but it may degrade our public life and humiliate us in the estimation of other nations to a large extent. I hope the leaders of all parties will leave no stone unturned to check this horrible man-slaughter which has already resulted in the loss of many innocent lives and destruction of valuable property."

Sir P. Thakurdas' 'S.O.S.' To Viceroy

The following express telegram has been sent by Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, President of the East India Cotton Association Limited, to the private Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy to-day:—

"Details so far available to the Board of the East India Cotton Association are sufficient to reveal an unprecedented ugly development in Calcutta last week. The notorious famine in Bengal two years back unfortunately was whitewashed by the then Government of India presumably for political reasons. The Board hopo nothing like that would be tolerated by His Excellency in this present blood-bath inflicted on Calcutta.

In the interest of minimum decent administration it is necessary that most stringent measures be taken without delay to prevent any such occurrence anywhere in India if the economic fabric of the country is at all required to work. The Board submit that political fanaticism should be put down effectively without any consideration of political party or personality concerned. The Board hope that His Excellency, the Viceroy will not tolerate any other considerations in devising immediate necessary measures to prevent such recurrence in any part of India. Constitution making cannot be any excuse for law breaking and facilities for it under any guise."

Put Down Hooliganism With Strong Hand, Says Premji

Mr. Mahomed Husein Hasham Premji, President, Indian Merchants' Chamber, has issued the following statement:

"The situation as it has arisen in Calcutta is a matter of deep regret for the country and to be deplored, particularly at this stage when delicate negotiations are going on with regard to the country's future constitutional development.

"Leaders of both the political parties in the country have already appealed to the people of Calcutta to be calm and I am informed that strong efforts are being made to bring about peace and order in that city by responsible Hindus and Muslims there. Under these circumstances, it can only be surmised that the unlawful elements in the city, taking advantage of the situation, have run wild to their own benefit.

"This must be put down with the strongest hand and every stern measure taken by Government to suppress disorder will receive the full support of the country. May I join in this appeal to those who respect law and order to use their best efforts to restore peace and to support the Government in putting down this hooliganism."

P. C. JOSHI'S STATEMENT

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (API): "The shocking news from Calcutta is a grave warning to all freedom-fighters, all Hindus, all Muslims", says Mr. P. C. Joshi, General Secretary of the Communist Party of India, in a statement. Mr. Joshi adds: "It is no more a matter of argument but has already been tragically proved on the streets of Calcutta that the League "struggle" does not touch the British Imperialists at all but directly becomes actual anti-Hindu struggle. The propaganda of the League High Command that the British have let the League down and an "Anglo-Hindu conspiracy" is on, only serves to cover their own compromising policy as regards British Imperialism and in the mind of the anti-British common Muslim only brings the Hindu as the enemy to be dealt with first. The real struggle against the British Imperialist plan can only be a joint Hindu-Muslim struggle. The Communist Party cannot obviously have anything to do with the League "struggle".

"The more the League provocation grows the more open become the efforts of the Congress leadership to maintain 'Law and order' with British bayonets and police. Talk of civil war from the League side becomes the moral justification of the Congress High Command for entering the Vice-regal Executive and talking of having a show-down with the League.

This was only the British game succeeds.

It is the British conspiracy set in motion by the Cabinet Mission's award that is working itself out".

'Portugal, Neither Fascist Nor Authoritarian'

Administration Of Goa Replies To Congress Working Committee Resolution

NOVA GOA, August 19 (A.P.I.): Criticism of the Portuguese administration of Goa contained in the Congress Working Committee's recent resolution which characterised it as "Fascist and Authoritarian" is rebutted in a 'communique' issued by the Portuguese authorities in Goa.

"It surpasses our imagination that the Congress Working Committee should have condemned Portuguese administration in Goa and dubbed Portugal as a Fascist country without carefully studying the situation and availing itself of facts as witnessed by impartial observers", says the statement.

NEITHER FASCIST NOR AUTHORITARIAN

"That Portugal is neither Fascist nor Authoritarian has been amply proved by recent events—the elections of 1945 for example and by the more conclusive fact that the Big Powers look at Portugal as a sister nation that gave the democracies the best help, moral and material, during the struggle in Europe against Fascism and Marxism, and that is why both America and England are on friendly terms with Portugal."

"Portugal has applied for membership of U.N.O. and this membership may soon be granted in spite of the Congress Working Committee's resolution. There is no reason why Portugal, a peace-loving and orderly country should not be admitted to U.N.O. "the statement adds, quoting the Congress Working Committee's resolution which urges that it would be "improper and against the basic principles of U.N.O. to admit to its membership a country which has an Authoritarian and reactionary administration and denied Democracy and civil liberty and which, in its colonies, carries on the worst form of colonial rule."

CIVIL LIBERTY DOES EXIST IN GOA

It is false that Portuguese colonial rule is the worst", the statement continues, "these allegations may only emanate from persons or political organizations having bias against Portuguese administration which is mischievously called rule. As regards civil liberty and democracy in Goa, it has been categorically proved (by this office) that it does exist in Goa. If not, recent events would have taken a different turn and the press would have been silenced. But this has not been the case.

"The Congress Working Committee's reference to French India, says the statement, "may be just, but we have to point out that Portuguese policy as laid down in the Portuguese Constitution does not differ much from that of France and as for citizenship rights granted to colonial peoples (referred to in the British India Press) by the French Government, we have to add that these rights have long since been granted to Goans.

WHY COMPARE WITH FRENCH INDIA?

"Besides, there is nothing more out of place as a comparison between French India and Portuguese India. The objects, administrative methods and the goal are absolutely dissimilar in their essence. The recent integration (1816) of the French possessions in India in the French Colonial Empire and its set-backs, have nothing in common with Portuguese India which for more than 400 years has been benefited by the Portuguese Administration completely identifying its destinies with the Motherland.

"If the inhabitants of French India wish to identify their destinies with free India (what has yet to be ascertained) the same does not happen in Portuguese India where the totality of the inhabitants wish to continue under the beneficial action of Portuguese Administration which has been the cause of its material and moral progress to the point of Goa being a pride of the Portuguese colonizing effort and part and parcel of the Motherland."

REACTION TO NEHRU'S CRITICISM

NOVA GOA, Aug. 19, (A. P. I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's recent reference to Goa as "A pimple on the face of India" is described in a "communique" issued by the Portuguese authorities in Goa as a "personal opinion and has nothing to do with actual facts which prove that the opposite is true—at least to impartial observers".

The "communique" refutes certain press criticisms which stated that the Hindu community was more advanced than others in Goa. "The fact is that the direct influence to be felt here is from Portugal even among the Hindus who have greatly assimilated Portuguese culture and habits and are, therefore, much more advanced than the rest of Hindustan. Other communities are also advanced, and this is due to the fact that the Mother country has always looked after education as a tool for moral and social awakening. In short, from a cultural and moral point of view the Goans are far more advanced than the rest of the population of the Great Indian subcontinent".

The "communique" denies that the masses in Goa are poverty stricken and says "the masses in Goa have not gone down to that level of misery as noticed in many parts of India, outside Goa".

The "communique" refers to the "revolt of the Ranes of Satari" and says "it was not a Nationalistic movement but the result of discontent among a section of the population.

Finnish Treaty Draft Discussion Postponed

Voting Divulges Cleavage Between Eastern And Western European Nations

PARIS, August 19, (Reuter): A cleavage between Eastern and Western European nations developed in the Peace Conference to-day when eleven countries met in Committee to discuss the Finnish Draft Peace Treaty.

By six votes to four, with Britain, the British Dominions and India voting against Soviet Russia, Byelo Russia, the Ukraine and Czechoslovakia, the Committee decided to postpone discussion on the Draft Treaty with Finland until amendments by Committee members and the view of the Finnish Government had been received.

France abstained and the United States, whose representative was not present, was also recorded as having abstained.

It is understood that the United States intends to take no part in the discussion on the Finnish Treaty although, as one of the Big Four, she is a nominal member of the Finnish Committee.

This decision follows the Soviet statement last Friday objecting to states which had not been at war with the ex-enemy country concerned having the voting right. Russia, however, had not objected to such states taking par in discussions.

There was an atmosphere of anticlimax about the first day of the Committee meeting on the treaties with ex-enemy states. Only a few of the leading delegates were present and th lobbies were emptier than at any time since the Conference began.

U.N.O. ASSEMBLY TO BE POSTPONED?

Fraser Wighton, Reuter's special correspondent says that opinion is hardening among the delegates against any adjournment of the Paris Conference or of the United Nations General Assembly due to open in the United States on September 23. The General view is that the Conference can continue, if necessary, simultaneously with the United Nations Assembly.

If any question of postponement does arise, both the United States and the Russian delegations will tend towards postponement of the United Nations Assembly in preference to the Paris Conference.

SMUTS IN PARIS

Gen. Jan Smuts, South African Prime Minister, arrived here in his own York plane to-day to head the South African Delegation to the Peace Conference.

TURKISH GENERAL ELECTION & AFTER

From Dictatorship To Democracy

By H. R. KNICKERBOCKER

ANKARA, July 24.

Turkey has set an historic precedent and has accomplished without violence although without perfect harmony a revolution from dictatorship to democracy. She has achieved the two party system, strengthened her ties with Great Britain and the United States and receded even further ideologically and politically from the Soviet Union with her first free election whose final results showed to-day that the effort to create an Opposition in what was formerly a one party parliament had been successful.

BIRTH PANGS OF DEMOCRACY

The birth pangs of democracy were painful in this country which endured under Ataturk and his People's Party a quarter of a century of a dictatorially directed revolution in many ways more fundamental than Russia's. The numerical results giving the new Democratic Party 63 seats plus seven independents to the Government party's 395 seats in the National Assembly were disappointing to the enthusiasts who had proclaimed expectations all the way from a majority to a hundred seats. To-day Djelal Bayar, the Democratic Party leader, accused the election officials of fraud, declaring that the Ankara and smyrna ballot boxes had been stolen. The Democrats backed by the intellectuals and the professional classes are disatisfied with the imperfect measure of freedom achieved, the land owners are dissatisfied with land reform and the business men are dissatisfied with Government ownership and with the control of commerce and industry carried on at Istanbul with a population of one million. They lost, however, overwhelmingly to the masses of peasants often illiterate and amenable to established control.

The prospects of political freedom intoxicated many Turks with visions of democracy as a mystic cureall. Some Democrat Party newspapers used the phrase "The Kingdom of Heaven will come with Victory."

PASSIONATE DEVOTION

Turkish youth showed its passionate devotion to the Democratic ideal which only Communists are wont to display in the older democracies. One young Turkish woman campaigner wept when the party failed to achieve her maximum hopes. Personal observation at a score of polling places at Istanbul and at two Thracian villages carried the conviction that the balloting itself was honest and secret and that if any skullduggery was practised it must have been in totalling the tally sheets. The Turkish democrats, who are fired with crusading zeal and are inexperienced of the fact that such skullduggery is sometimes known even in the United States, consider any suspicion of it here a blot on the national honour. But even if all the charges were sustained the paramount fact remains that the Turks for the first time felt free openly to vote against the Government. The Moscow radio which campaigned against the Government during the election as a legitimate participant in Turkish politics to-day announces that the Turkish effort for democracy is a total failure.

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Import Licence For Capital Goods

Sir,—Please allow me to protest against a policy of the Government of India in refusing licences for capital goods from England, particularly of reconditioned machinery.

My firm represents in India Messrs. Robert Groggins Ltd. of Bury, who are the largest exporters of re-conditioned weaving machinery.

After my arrival in the United Kingdom, I contacted them and induced them to give me 500 looms, all of them practically new. Immediately I cabled my Bombay office intimating that we were offered 500 practically new looms and they may apply for import licence. They made the application and while refusing the licence the office of the Textile Commissioner stated that, 'owing to the stringency in the yarn supply position now prevailing, it has been decided that no additional power looms should be permitted to be installed." It is understood that permission to install new looms or granting licence to import looms do not imply that the Government is bound to supply necessary yarn. In fact, the looms that I secured were meant for silk and mixed silk areas of Mysore and Madras Presidency, and that they are able to obtain necessary yarn and silk for their manufacture.

In any case, if the licence is given now, the looms will not be ready for working at least for one year, seeing that it will take three to four months to get them ready packed for shipment. It will take further two months to get it shipped, after they are shipped, one month or more to arrive at the Indian port, and at least two or three months for clearing, taking them to the site and erect them.

When my firm made an application for an import licence during the year 1945, we were told that the policy of the Government was to refuse licences for re-conditioned machinery, and now, when I have secured almost new looms, a different reason is given to refuse the licence. It may be pointed out that the re-conditioned looms or even the second hand looms from England would be in much better conditions than the looms working in most of the mills, in view of the fact that those looms have been working for a number of years and have not been replaced during the war, and the spare parts are difficult to obtain. The new looms cannot be available for at least 5 years.

I can understand the refusal of import licences for luxury goods, which of course is not the case, but I fail to understand the reason for refusal of licences of capital goods, more particularly of productive character.

I confidently trust that the authorities will see the wisdom of revising their policy, which is against the interest of the country.

MANILAL M. PATEL.

Paris, Aug. 10.

P.S.:—My address in England is:—H. M. Patel & Co., Sydney Street Works, Blackburn (Lancs.), England. The address of my Bombay Office is: H. M. Patel & Co., 106, Apollo Street Fort, Bombay. Tel. 26642.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"It surpasses our imagination that the Congress Working Committee should have condemned Portuguese administration in Goa and dubbed Portugal as a Fascist country without carefully studying the situation and availing itself of facts as witnessed by impartial observers".

—A communique issued by the Portuguese authorities in Goa.

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Says His Highness their Chancellor: "The Princes have rendered conspicuous service to their country in the past".

And at very modest wages and under miserable conditions of service, too.

Their Union should give strike notice.

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There has been formed, we learn from a Lucknow report, a Zamindars' Union of Agra and Oudh to "oppose by all feasible means the abolition of Zamindari in the U.P."

Not "Direct Action", we hope.

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The Calcutta "Statesman" has come out with an indignant demand on the Viceroy and the Governor to sack the present Bengal Ministry.

Et tu Bruti!

Inciden ally the same applies to the Conservative "Daily Telegraph" of London, too.

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Replying to the Congress President, Mr. Jinnah points out how while "seeking our 'co-operation'", Jawaharlal wants Congress, among other things, "to retain its revolutionary outlook".

Even that word "revolution" has become a provocation. Let Leaguers beware, they must no longer shout "Inquilab Zindabad".

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"The Sikhs", Mr. Jinnah argues, "have changed four times already and the fifth time it may be our good luck and they may become our friends".?

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Suppose the Sikhs return the compliment and reciprocate the hope thus: "The Muslim League have changed twice already and the third time it may be our good luck and hey may become our friends".?

A Calicut Muslim League meeting, presided over by the eminent League leader, Haji Abdus Sattar Issak Sait M.L.A. (General), has demanded an independent and sovereign "Moplastan".

Is Haji Sahib quietly trying to help the Sikhs to an independent and sovereign "Sikhistan" in the Punjab, in this way?

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Said "Dawn" that distinguished newspaper of Delhi re the Calcutta riots: "Some may call the incidents deplorable, others may scream off with 'hooliganism' ("sic") which will make matters no better but worse".

And said Mr. M. A. Jinnah: "Those who are guilty of repugnant to indefensible conduct and hooliganism ("sic") must be dealt with according to law".

Clearly Mr. Jinnah has defied "Dawn". He must, therefore, immediately and unconditionally apologise to the Editor of "Dawn" lest our confrere be provoked to go further and scream at Mr. Jinnah.

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Doctor Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan is reported to have resigned his membership of the Muslim League because "a clique" rejected, one after another his candidature to the Provincial Assembly, the Central Assembly and, finally, the Constituent Assembly.

We congratulate the League. Even its opponents will have to admit that the Muslim League sometimes does very definitely do the right thing.

STRIKE & LOCKOUT

Demand For Reinstatement Of Union Official

The General Secretary, Gupta Group Employees' Union, writes:—

Eight hundred workers of five workshops, viz., Devidayal & Sons, Devidayal Tulsiram & Sons, Gupta Rolling Mills, President Metal Works and Punjab Metal Works have been on strike since the 14th of the month Consequent on the dismissal of the Vice-President, Mr. B. H. Nagvekar, and four workers of the Union. The management has declared a lock-out from the 16th. Attempts are being made to settle the dispute.

Imperial Bank Meeting

BOMBAY, Monday.

At the annual general meeting of the Shareholders of the Imperial Bank of India, held this evening at the local Head Office of the Bank here, the Report of the Central Board, the Balance Sheet of the Bank up to June 30, 1946 and the Report of the auditors were received and adopted unanimously. Sir Vithal Chandavarkar was in the chair.

Sir Vithal Chandavarkar in his speech said that the Bank's Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts had recorded an increase of Rs. 26 crores higher than the previous year, that the gross profits for the year were better than those of the last year by Rs. 29 lakhs and the net profit by Rs. 6 lakhs.

He denied the rumours current in the local share market with regard to changes in the Bank's capital structure and an increase in the dividend.

He revealed that the staff on strike in Bengal had been offered a 25 per cent. increase on present basic salaries as a basis for negotiations, which, he said, were in progress.

The Managing Director of the Bank, Mr. A. R. Chisholm, in answer to a question said that the Management in Bombay had formulated four grades for the staff.

The demands of strikers in Bengal were partially supported and condemned by some of the shareholders.

"Second Front" In S. Africa

Indian Resisters To Occupy Private Property In Controlled Area

JOHANNESBURG, August 19 (Reuter): Indian passive resisters will today open direct attack against the "Ghetto Act" by occupying private property in the controlled area.

Coinciding with release after two months' imprisonment of Dr. Miss K. Goonan, Vice-President of the Natal Indian Congress, this "second front" begins with a mass meeting to welcome her and other released resisters. Passive resistance volunteers will, after the meeting, occupy private property in the controlled area, where Indian occupation is prohibited under the Land Tenure Act.

DIRECT ATTACK AGAINST "GHETTO ACT"

The Secretary of the Natal Indian Congress, Mr. A. I. Meer said: "So far the authorities side-stepped the issue charging us under the Trespass Law and the Riotous Assemblies Act. This is a direct attack against the "Ghetto Act" and we challenge the authorities to charge us under this Act."

Mr. Meer added that passive resisters would also continue to occupy the Corporation land in Gale Street site.

PRINCES TO FOLLOW LEAGUE?

"Patrika' Divulges Bhopal's Secret Circular

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, August 19: Will Princes join hands with the Muslim League fighting the one-party Government at the centre if it tries to liquidate their sovereignty?

This appears to be the intention of some Princes, at any rate, according to a confidential circular issued by the Nawab of Bhopal and some contents of which have been published by the local daily "Amrita Bazar Patrika."

The circular discloses the possibility of revision of the Princes' decision to participate in the Constituent Assembly in view of the withdrawal of the Muslim League with whom the Princes might ally themselves in fighting the new one-party Government under Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, if it tries to liquidate their sovereignty and interfere in the internal administration of the States.

The circular also advises the Princes to enhance their Privy purse before the new Government comes into power.

March To Freedom Exhibition

AT JINNAH HALL, VITHALBHAI PATEL ROAD.

Pay a visit and entertain yourself. Open to-day: from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Entrance fee: Annas four only for adults. Annas two only for children and students coming through institution authority.

Raja Mahendra Pratap To Visit Bombay

BOMBAY, Aug 19 (API): Raja Mahendra Pratap, who returned to India after exile, is likely to visit Bombay in the first week of September.

Constituent Assembly Election Challenged

KARACHI, Aug. 19 (API): To engage expert legal advice for his petition against the election of Nawab Mohamed Khan Jogzai to the Constituent Assembly (from Baluchistan), Khan Abdul Samad Khan, Nationalist Muslim leader in Baluchistan, arrived in Karachi to-day.

The election petition which has been admitted will be heard before the District and Session Judge of Baluchistan on August 27.

Congress-Sikh Agreement About Interim Govt.

NEW DELHI, August 19 (A.P.I.): Col. Niranjan Singh Gill, Dictator of the Sikh Council of Action who arrived here in response to a call from Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in connection with the formation of the Interim Government, met him this morning.

Col. Gill told an A. P. I. reporter, "on the question of the formation of the Interim Government, we are with the Congress. If they form it we will join them. The Panthic Board and the Congress are agreed that if the Interim Government is formed and we decided to go in, our nominee will be Sardar Baldev Singh."

Col. Gill will stay here till the evening of August 21, when he will return to Amritsar for the Panthic Board Working Committee's meeting on Aug. 22.

Settling Indian Ex-Servicemen Abroad

NEW DELHI, August 19, (API): The question of settling Indian ex-servicemen in overseas countries, it is understood, will be raised by the Indian representative on the Permanent Migration Committee when it holds its first meeting in Montreal on August 16, 1946. As already announced, Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Agent-General to the Government of India in Washington, will attend the meeting as India's representative and Mr. P. Kopanda Rao of the Servants of India Society will accompany him as his non-official adviser.

French National Assembly

PARIS, Aug 19, (Reuter): The French National Assembly tomorrow (Tuesday) begins the debate on the new constitution bill—nearly two years after General De Gaulle took charge of France's first Provisional Government since liberation.

India Won't Lose Final Test

Honour Of First Innings Total Goes To Merchant: Modi Gets 1,000 Of Tour

India (1st Innings) 331
England (1st Innings For Three Wickets At Close) 95

LONDON, August 19, (Reuter): (From Learie Constantine, Reuters' special commentator) India, by scoring 331 in their first innings—their highest total of the series—will not lose the third and final test which concludes tomorrow.

Only eight and a half hours remain for play. Weather and dame fortune must be singularly kind to enable the Indians to win it. That the match will end in a draw seems written on the wall.

To India's Vice-Captain, Merchant, goes the honour for the fine total. His heroic innings of 128 under cold grey skies gave him the distinction of becoming the highest scorer ever in Anglo-Indian tests, for he surpassed by ten runs the previous record of 118 established by Amarnath against Jardine's team in 1933-34. Merchant also got his 2,000 runs for the season.

His stay at the wicket for over five hours, in which he hits 15 fours, was terminated by one of the most remarkable dismissals ever seen in Test cricket. Indeed had not England included an inalternational soccer forward in Denis Compton in the team, Merchant might well have carried his bat and India would have beaten their 1936 record of 390.

HOW MERCHANT WAS OUT.

For it was a "goal" from Compton's left foot that got Merchant out. This is how it happened. At 2/2 Mankad played a ball to an open spot near midon. Merchant moved for a single but Mankad sent him back. But Compton, losing no time to pick up the ball, dashed towards it and with a first time shot, hit the wicket. What a way to be dismissed in a cricket match!

Although Merchant's total was the highest against England, beating by 14 runs his own record for an Indian in Tests in England in 1936 his innings was not one of his happiest. Apart from the chances he gave, he was now and again in difficulties in discriminating between the ball that went away and that which in. He looked very vulnerable during these periods. But one does not want to criticise the sterling play of a man who saw 2/2 on board before returning to the pavilion.

Apart from Mushtaq Ali's opening partnership with Merchant of 94 whereof Mushtaq Ali got 59, none of the other Indians sparkled, although Mankad scored a useful 42. Although Mankad was always searching for runs, he batted like a man out of form or stale

MODI'S CONTRIBUTION.

One perhaps should also not overlook Modi's knock of 27, for he helped Merchant to add 63 for the fifth wicket before hitting across a legbreak and incidentally got his 1,000 runs during the tour before lunch was taken.

The wicket was always easy, although spin bowlers got turn from it. There was lack of pace, which at no time enabled the bowlers hurry the batsmen into making their strokes. The English bowlers, however, stuck to the task admirably and gave little away. The tourists had to earn every run.

Gover brought into a test on his own ground was unfortunate to find the wicket so unsuited to his fast bowling.

BOWLING SUCCESS.

Edrich—another newcomer to this series of Tests—however was the most successful English bowler, his terrific body action helping him to get four wickets for 68 runs in 17.2 overs. He brought the ball back from the offside and bothered even the great Merchant when he sent in the other way. He hit the stumps three times which indicates the pace of movement obtained from the dead pitch.

The English fielding was first rate and nothing was given away. Their performance especially was gratifying to those who regard fielding as the weak spot in the team to visit Australia.

Washbrook was superb at cover

DRAW LOOKS INEVITABLE.

It has been a good day for India. There is not much hope of a victory, but she has had her reputation enhanced in the challenge for test honours and Merchant set a new high scoring individual record.

A draw looks inevitable except for the uncertainties of the game.

I had visions of England's collapse when, with Mankad at the top of his form taking the wickets of the opening batsmen Hutton and Washbrook with the figures of nine overs, four maidens, nine runs and two wickets, England had only 55 runs on the board. The vision brightened when Fishlock got himself out for 66, but dimmed again with the partnership of Compton and England's skipper Hammond, who played out time leaving England 236 runs in arrears with seven wickets in hand.

England's batting was quiet, with an obvious eye on to-morrow as well as due to the very steady bowling of the Indian stalwarts, Amarnath and Mankad.

England scored 95 for three wickets in their first innings at close of play.

INDIA (FIRST INNINGS

Merchant run out	128
Mushtaq Ali run out	59
Pataudi b Edrich	9
Amarnath b Edrich	8
Hazare c Compton b Gover	11
Modi b Smith	27
Hafeez b Edrich	1
Mankad b Bedser	42
Nayudu c Washbrook b Bedser	4
Hindlekar Lb.w. Edrich	3
Sohoni not out	29
Extras (1 bye 5 leg byes 4 no balls)	10
Total	331

FALL OF WICKETS: 1 for 94; 2 for 124; 3 for 142 ;.4 for 162; 5 for 225; 6 for 226; 7 for 272; 8 for 313; 9 for 325; 10 for 331.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gover	21	3	56	1
Bedser	32	6	60	2
Smith	21	4	58	1
Edrich	19.2	4	68	4
Langridge	29	9	64	0
Compton	5	0	15	0

ENGLAND (FIRST INNINGS)

Hutton Lb.w. Mankad	25
Washbrook c Mushtaq Ali b Mankad	17
Fishlock c Merchant b Nayudu	8
Compton not out	24
Hammond no out	9
Extras (11 byes 1 leg bye)	12
Total (for 3 wickets)	95

FALL OF WICKETS: 1 for 48, 2 for 55; 3 for 66.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Amarnath	15	6	30	0
Sohoni	4	3	2	0
Mankad	20	7	28	2
Nayudu	9	2	19	1
Hazare	2	1	4	0

CLASH IN SYLHET Shops Looted: 16 In Hospital

SYLHET, Aug. 16. (A.P.I.): Several Muslims were injured as the result of a fracas between supporters of the Muslim League and the Jamiat-ul-Ulema at Nayasarak Mosque in Sylhet town. A few police officers were also injured.

Later several shops owned by Hindus were attacked and looted. Armed police arrived on the scene and dispersed the mob. A hotel managed by a nationalist Muslim leader was heavily damaged

The police is patrolling the town to prevent further trouble.

Seven Hindus and nine Muslims who were injured have been taken to the Civil Hospital and the condition of one Hindu is reported to be serious.

More Clashes And Looting In Surma Valley

SYLHET, Aug. 19. (A.P.I.): Some clashes and looting are reported to have taken place in Surma Valley in connection with the observance of Direct Action Day. An engineering works was looted and the Bidyasram affiliated to the All-India Spinners' Association was set on fire, but the flames were extinguished soon.

On receipt of information Premier Bardoloi, Mr. Baidyanath Mukerji, Supply Minister, and Mr. Basanta Kumar Das, Home Minister, arrived here this evening to discuss the situation with local leaders.

Before his departure the Home Minister told the A.P.I. that the situation in Surma Valley was under control and that the Government was determined to maintain Law and Order in any circumstances.

Indian Cyclists Leave For Zurich

LONDON, Aug. 19 (APA): The Indian cycling team, which arrived here a few days ago, has left London to take part in the forthcoming world cycling championship at Zurich.

CURFEW IN AHMEDABAD EXTENDED

AHMEDABAD, Aug 19 (API): Curfew has been extended for another week in Ahmedabad city but it will be relaxed to-morrow from 11-30 p.m. to 3-30 a.m. to allow Hindus to visit temples in their own localities on the occasion of the Birthday celebrations of Lord Krishna.

HUMAYUN KABIR FOR BOMBAY

Prof. Humayun Kabir is leaving for Bombay to-morrow in connection with the adjudication proceedings on hours of employment calendar day's rest and leave reserves for railwaymen. A questionnaire is expected to be prepared in the course of a day or two.

It is likely that the Adjudicator, Justice Rajadyaksha, will hold the first sitting on September 5.

Appeal To The Citizens Of "E" Ward

New Rolls of Bombay Municipal Corporation voters' lists are kept in 'E' Ward District Congress Committee's Office at Ghorapdeo for the convenience of the citizens of 'E' Ward.

Application forms for enlisting the missing or incorrect names in the are also available at the same place.

The office of the "E" Ward Congress Committee will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. residents in the above area are requested to make it a point to see the rolls, and if their names are missing they should apply to the Bombay Municipal Corporation forthwith. The last date of application is 31st of August 1946. So there is no time to lose.

MADRAS, Aug 19, (UPI): The Government of India have provisionally fixed September 9 and 10 as dates for holding an inter-provincial Health Ministers' Conference.

BOSE'S CALL TO WAVELL TO VISIT CALCUTTA

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throughout the city is quiet there are still stray murders and in consequence apprehension still prevails".

Earlier, at 4 p.m. a Government spokesman stated at a Press Conference that the position as it stood then was that the situation was definitely under control in North Calcutta and that the general sense of appresension felt in certain areas of South Calcutta was unjustified.

The total dead during the riots was estimated at 500 by the Surgeon-General to the Government of Bengal, Major-General Dimond Emphasising that that was only his personal view Gen. Dimond added that he reckoned the injured at well over 3,300.

LOOTING IN KIDDERPORE AREA

Tension continued in Kidderpore market and its adjoining areas this morning, according to information reaching the President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee from different rescue parties. Mobs have been moving around the area since the morning and it is learnt there had been some cases of looting by mid-day to-day.

A rescued resident of the locality said that Panick-stricken men and women were leaving the zone to save their lives, leaving their property at the mercy of miscreants. A number of families had been evacuated, but there were still many "marooned" there.

TRAMS RESUME IN SOUTH CALCUTTA

Trams resumed running in one section of South Calcutta this afternoon.

Telephone communication with north Calcutta has been restored.

FIRING CASUALTIES

Three persons were injured one of whom later died, as a result of firing in Amherst Row, off Upper Circular Road this morning.

In Kailash Bose Street in the same area there was also firing in the forenoon causing injuries to three persons.

T.U.C. CHIEF'S APPEAL TO WORKERS

The President of the All-India Trade Union Congress, Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose, has issued an appeal to the working class to try their utmost "to stop the fratricidal slaughter and civil war in Calcutta".

Mr. Bose says that many of the victims, may be 90 per cent of them, are innocent and inoffensive and they include women and children. "The working class, I know, has as a whole kept itself away from this turmoil. bility to save the life and honour of But everyone has the sacred responsihis brothers and sisters whether they be Hindus, Muslims or Sikhs or any other". He urges them to discharge that responsibility.

MEETING OF LEGISLATURE

It is reliably understood that with the agreement of leaders of the parties, the next sitting of the Bengal Legislative Council and Assembly will take place on Monday, September 2, in view of the present situation in Calcutta.

A. P. MAN'S LUCKY ESCAPE

A graphic picture of the panic caused by hooligans in the Calcutta riots was given today by a member of the staff of the Associated Press of India who just escaped savage butchery or maiming and re-established contact with the office today.

Living in the heart of a zone where murder, loot and arson raged for two days, he said what the terror-stricken cries of victims as they were being maimed and stabbed were still ringing in his ears as he was phoning in his story. He and his friends living in a cosmopolitan hotel could not help or escape as well-armed hooligans surrounded the area.

Equipped with plentiful supplies of petrol from a pump, whose owner had abandoned it in his flight for safety, the mobs carried out a campaign of arson. Buildings were set on fire and fed liberally with looted motor fuel. Fortunately, the concrete structure often resisted the flames till the heavily overworked firebrigade could arrive.

POLICE FIRING DISPERSES MOB

Christian residents of the hotel bravely stood by fellow-boarders of other communities when they were offered a chance of escape to safety by the hooligans. They would not save themselves alone and wanted other hotel inmates also to be permitted to leave the building before it was set on fire. The talks had come to a stalemate when a police patrol chanced to passby. A few rounds dispersed the mob and the residents escaped to take shelter in an adjoining hospital.

At the hospital, the dead bodies, and even more the living, maimed ones, told the story of gross cruelty. There were deep stab wounds, heads and limbs broken with heavy lathi blows, and cases where the bone was broken to pieces and every living moment was agony.

6 MONTHS OLD CHILD KILLED

The body of a six months old child killed on the spot was brought by ambulance with its father and mother badly injured.

The hospital was chokeful with the dead and injured so that for sometime no count could be kept of either. By Sunday evening there were 650 admissions and of these a hundred had died.

The news that troops had been ordered to help the police was received with great relief. British and Indian troops came out in their wire-netted jeeps and armoured cars on Saturday morning.

Fire had to be opened on a large number of occasions but the situation appeared to be less tense yesterday and there was further improvement this morning.

PEACE ATTEMPTS FAIL

CALCUTTA, August 19 (A.P.A.): Muslim League and Congress Party leaders were attempting again today to restore order in blood bathed Calcutta.

An unsuccessful attempt was made in two badly affected areas yesterday after a meeting between Hindus and Muslims, but the cessation of hostilities lasted only a few hours.

Casualties continued to be received in rescue stations set up in police stations, colleges and other establishments in every quarter of the city.

MURDER, RAPE AND ARSON

Police Sergeants were still bringing in tales of unspeakable atrocities involving women who had been raped and mutilated, of families butchered; of men, women and children burned to death in the hostee areas.

The food situation in the city continued to deteriorate as the markets remained closed. Fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs lay rotting on railway platforms and many poor families have had little or no food for days.

Transport was still at a complete standstill and European business houses remained closed today, because it was a public holiday. Telephone and telegraph offices worked with depleted staffs and the traffic was hampered. Cases of looting were still being reported and two shops along the water front were broken into early this morning.

"Statesman" Reveals Staggering Casualties

CALCUTTA, Aug. 19. (A.P.I.): "It is now known from inquiries made by me yesterday that the death roll in the past three days' disturbances is between 2,000 and 3,000", writes the staff reporter of the "Statesman".

"It is impossible to obtain any accurate estimate of the number of injured, but it is feared that this will run into many thousands".

DISTURBANCES CONTINUE.

Three persons who have sustained bullet wounds were admitted to hospital to-day.

A ration shop was looted in the Bow Bazar area this morning.

In Mowlali there was an incident when two men were severely beaten and a boy stabbed.

A house in Bhowanipore was set on fire at about two this morning but the fire was soon extinguished.

"SHOOT AT SIGHT" ORDER.

CALCUTTA, Aug. 19. (U.P.I.): It is reliably learnt that the Bengal Governor has issued an order to the Military and Police patrols to shoot at sight any person found on the street during curfew hours, in view of the critical situation prevailing in the City.

It is also learnt that the Governor communicated this decision to Mr. Kiran Shankar Roy, Leader of the Opposition in the Bengal Legislative Assembly, during their meeting yesterday afternoon.

INTER-COMMUNAL CO-OPERATION.

CALCUTTA, (A.P.I.): In the midst of the Carnage of rioting there have been many instances of inter-communal co-operation. Fifty to sixty Hindu men, women and children are being sheltered in a Muslim locality by the local Muslim residents.

In another predominantly Hindu zone Hindu residents have formed a protection corps to safeguard the handful of local Muslim residents from attacks by hooligan elements.

Cases of Hindus helping Muslim families in distress and of Muslims rescuing Hindus similarly placed are coming more and more to light.

The situation in the State Ballygunge and Bhowanipore areas is reported this morning as easier.

POOR SUFFER FOR WANT OF FOOD.

British and Indian troops and armed police continue to patrol the city this morning. A few ration shops have opened in some parts of the city and are functioning with their doors half ajar, ready to close down on signs of trouble.

The domestic food position in a great many poorer families has become difficult owing to the closure of shops during the three days of rioting and there are large queues in front of the few shops that are open to-day.

In addition to the army rescue situation, other agencies have also been carrying out rescue work. The Indian national ambulance corps has conveyed a large number of residents of Kidderpore, Dhuramtola, Maniktola and Tiljala areas to places of greater safety.

COURTS CLOSED

CALCUTTA, Aug. 19 (A.P.I.): The Hindu Mahasabha and the police have removed some 300 persons from Taltola area to the Ashutosh College, where a shelter for refugees is functioning. The Muslim League has also been carrying out similar work. All girl students of a large Muslim hostel on Vivekananda Road are safe and are living under the guardianship of the Secretary of the Provincial Muslim League at Ripon Street.

Calcutta's sanitary services have not been working for three days and refuse is accumulating on the streets. Clearance is only possible when riot conditions ease.

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, Dr. B. C. Roy and Mr. G. D. Birla had an interview with the Governor of Bengal this morning when the Calcutta situation was discussed.

The Chief Justice of Bengal has ordered that in view of the disturbed condition of the city and its suburbs which make it dangerous for the litigant public, members of the bar and staffs of the court to attend courts, the High Court and other courts in Calcutta, Howrah, Alipore and Sealdah will remain closed tomorrow.

VULTURES FEAST ON CORPSES

CALCUTTA, (A.P.I.): The Indian language newspaper "Bharat" says that it is estimated that about 100 persons died and 400 were injured in the course of stray assault and in military and police firings during the disturbances yesterday (Sunday).

It puts the total casualties in the three days of rioting at about 800 dead and 4,500 injured, and adds that about 500 corpses were seen lying on the roads during the three days.

The dead are still lying about in a number of areas, and at one place on Lower Circular road vultures have picked the bodies clean to the bone.

The number of buildings burnt is considerable, the fire brigade having attended to about 1250 calls during the past three days. They were unable to attend to a large number. Looting has been carried on a large scale during the riots, and the loss is estimated at tens of lakhs of rupees.

There was scare in some areas last evening and women and children were evacuated as a precautionary measure by a large number of families before curfew to places of safety. The night, however, appears to have passed off without major incidents.

This morning newspaper hawkers reappeared in central Calcutta.

Some newspapers have had to suspend publication during the past couple of days owing to the abnormal conditions and others are appearing in considerably reduced size.

CITY TAXIS & CABS TO BE NATIONALISED

Bombay Govt.'s Plan

POONA, Aug. 19, (A. P. I.): Taxi and cab service in the city of Bombay may be nationalised by the Government of Bombay or run on some other basis which would prove beneficial to the public both from efficiency and monetary point of view. It is stated that taxi drivers approaching Transport Authorities for renewal of their permits are, therefore, being granted only temporary permits issued every month. They are also not allowed to transfer their permits as hitherto.

If the Government's plan takes shape it will affect about 1,200 taxis now plying in Bombay.

A deputation of the Bombay Taxi Drivers' Union, led by its president Mr. Abid Ali Jafferbhoy, today waited on the Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, to place their viewpoint in the matter before him.

Mr. Abid Ali told the press that the taxi drivers were upset by the reported proposal of the Government.

Another Union spokesman complained that while hotel-keepers, cinema-owners and others were allowed to transfer their business, there was no reason why only taxi drivers should be prevented from doing so.

He also complained against a proposal to reduce the taxi fares from As. 10 to As. 8 per mile when Victoria fares were recently increased from As 8 to As. 10.

He stated that petrol ration for taxis was being increased from 70 to 90 gallons.

New Rate Of Exchange In China

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19, (APA): China today established a new rate of exchange of 2,850 Chinese Dollars to one American Dollar (five shillings) and immediately sent prices leaping upward.

The increase from the former official rate of 2,020 to one was intended to give exporters more Chinese dollars for their United States receipts and thus enable them to buy or produce more goods for export.

The abrupt change caught many business with huge amounts tied up in Chinese currency and cost them one-third loss.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—General Motors dol. 66, Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 45-5/8, United States Steel Common dol. 88-3/4, United States Steel Preference unquoted.—(Reuter).

Sind League Assembly Party Meeting On Sep. 3

KARACHI, Aug. 19 (API): The Premier Mr. Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah has convened a meeting of the League Assembly party for September 3 to consider the latest ministerial situation in Sind.

The Premier left Karachi for Jacobabad yesterday where two other ministers Mr. M. A. Khuhro and Pirzada Abdul Satar are expected to meet the Premier. All the ministers will return to Karachi in a couple of days

BOMBAY TEXTILE WORKERS' DEMANDS

Referred To Arbitration Of Industrial Court

BOMBAY, Aug. 19, (API): The demands of the employees of 54 textile mills in Bombay, relating to restoration of wage cut, increase in basic wages, standardisation of wages, introduction of three shifts and dearness allowance, have been referred by the Bombay Government to the arbitration of the industrial court.

The Government of Bombay, announcing this decision remarks that the Government is satisfied that serious and prolonged hardship to a large section of the community is likely to be caused by reason of the continuance of these industrial disputes.

The Lorry Drivers: And Workers' Strike

The General Secretary of the Lorry Drivers' and Workers' Union writes:—

I read in some of the morning dailies of today that the G. T. S. Strike has been called off. That is entirely false. "The strike is continuing. The strike will not be called off until our entire demands are conceded.

U.S. COUNTER-CHARGE AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19. (Reuter): The United States Department issued here to-night the text of a note to the Yugoslav Government "emphatically" rejecting the Yugoslav protest regarding an incident near Ursina in the Trieste area where two Yugoslav soldiers were killed during a clash with American patrols on July 12.

The note stated that the Yugoslav protest as "apparently based on a distortion of evidence" and, in its turn, lodged an American protest.

This charged that Yugoslav forces had illegally entered the British and American zone in Venezia Giulia, had shown a hostile attitude towards British troops at Prebenico and had opened fire without provocation against United States troops.

Rly. Rates Advisory Committee

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (API): The Railway Rates Advisory Committee which was suspended during the war will once again begin to function and will be in existence till the wider constitutional question is settled. This was revealed by the Chief Commissioner of Railways Col. R B. Emerson when the Committee of the Indian Merchants Chamber met him today in Bombay.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

The story of the happenings in Calcutta make sad reading. Three thousand are reported dead and the situation is far from being in hand.

What good is this doing to India or to the various political parties in India?

The truth is that under the name of Hindu-Muslim problem, innocent people are being killed in Calcutta.

Mr. Jinnah has condemned the happenings in Calcutta. He points out that whatever has happened there is beyond the directives given by the League. But the people of India expect from Mr. Jinnah something more than such a condemnation. They expect him to join in bringing peace and security to this country and its people. He has a responsibility as a leader of the Muslims, even as our other leaders have their responsibility.

In all this chaos and bloodshed, it is refreshing to read the A. P. message which says: "In the midst of the carnage of rioting there have been many instances of inter-communal co-operation. 50 to 60 Hindu men and women and children are being sheltered in a Muslim locality by local Muslim residents."

This is in the true spirit of Islam and it is this spirit which will live and endure whatever may be the political differences between the two communities.

The poor are suffering for want of food. Famine is knocking at the door. There is likelihood of a recurrence of what happend in Bengal in 1942.

It is necessary at this time that Mr. Jinnah and Pandit Jawaharlal get together again and to find some 'via media', however impossible it may seem.

Whatever the Muslims may want and whatever the Congress may want, it is certain that they do not wish to see vultures feasting in the open streets of Calcutta and blood of innocents flowing in the streets.

It is no use saying that one or the other is right or wrong, at the present moment. It is no use pointing out the points of difference between the two communities. Whatever may be the merits of the political standpoints of the two parties, it lies on both to see that the situation in Calcutta is first brought well in hand.

The people look upon our leaders to act and act swiftly. Leaders are made to serve the people in times of crisis. This is the time when leadership is being truly tested.

TEST OF JUSTICE

Khizr Hyat Khan On Future Of Italian Colonies

JARIS, August 19 (Reuter): The justice of the decisions of the present Peace Conference will be particularly judged by the peoples of India and the whole Muslim world in the light of any decision reached affecting the fate of the Italian colonies, cables Fraser Wighton, Reuter's special correspondent.

This is the view of Sir Khizr Hyat Khan, Prime Minister of the Punjab and one of the principal Indian delegates to the Peace Conference who is leaving Paris tomorrow and returning via London to India where political development's demand his attention.

"We will not be convinced that the Conference is really working for a just peace", he declared, "unless the peoples of the Italian Colonies are given the right, expressed in the Atlantic Charter, to choose the form of Government under which they will live."

Sir Khizr reminded me that the peoples of India, in spite of their internal difficulties, were on threshold of their freedom.

LONG, HARD ROAD TO PEACE

Sir Khizr said that his first impression of the Peace Conference was that here was a long, hard road to travel before there was real peace.

"I had hoped to see much of the work on the five treaties completed while I was in Paris", he observed, "but after three weeks the Conference has just finished organisation of its commissions and hearing of the preliminary statements of the ex-enemy countries. The real work of examination of the treaties is only now beginning."

OPEN TUG-OF-WAR

Sir Khizr said that the meetings of the Conference had often been turned into a public debate on the rival political and economic systems sponsored by the various states. "The Great Powers have attacked each other's policies openly", he declared, "and the difference in outlook between the Communist and the non-Communist systems has been exhibited to the world in the discussion on each substantial issue."

"We must not think that the effects of six years of world-wide conflagrations can be cleared up in a few months", he commented, adding that the present Peace Conferences and other conferences following it must face the differences between the countries squarely and try to reconcile them.

Reminding Sir Khizr of the possibility that the next few days might see the announcement of a new Indian Government, I asked whether he thought that the new administration should send its delegation to the Peace Conference. Sir Khizr was unwilling to comment upon the matter until he had studied the composition of the new Government when announced.

Dosabhai Resigns From Textile Board Cotton Committee

BOMBAY, August 19, (A.P.I.): It is reliably understood that Mr. Jagjiwandas Dosabhai, a member of the Cotton Committee of the Textile Control Board, has tendered his resignation as a protest against the decision announced by the Government on August 14, 1946 in respect of cotton. In the opinion of Mr. Dosabhai the decisions of the Government is "highly iniquitous and injurious to cotton cultivators and small traders engaged in the distribution of cotton".

THREE PRISONERS ESCAPE

(From A Correspondent.)

PALITANA, August 19.

Three prisoners named Abhesinh, Sanio and Abhal escaped from police custody seizing two rifles from the police and killing one policeman, named Rahim Rajibhai.

Fr. Derby Winner Comes Second

BRUSSELS, Aug. 18. (Reuter): The French Derby winner, "Prince Chevalier", starting an odds on favourite, was beaten into second place in the Grand Prix D' Ostende, the chief race in the Belgian calendar, run over a mile and a half, here today by another French horse, "Bouton Rose", starting at 18 to 1. The winner is owned by Mr. Joseph Mignon. The Belgian colt "Godichon" was third.

OLYMPIAD AT STOCKHOLM IN 1949

STOCKHOLM, August 18. (Reuter): The Swedish Gymnastic Association at a meeting here today decided to organise the Olympiad at Stockholm in 1949 to which Gymnastic organisations of all nations of the world will be invited.

The Swedish Association has made tentative enquiries and ascertained their general interest for the Olympiad.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

PROBABILITY OF DRAW IN FINAL TEST

By J. C. Maitra

As I had feared, the clerk of the weather has played the trick again—so much so that only 90 minutes' play was possible in the final Test on Saturday. The Indian skipper was again lucky with the spin of the coin. In fact 'Pat' has won it every time in the Tests. And it was good that he took courage in both hands and decided to bat first. So India was able with the assistance of Vijay Merchant and Mushtaq Ali to compile 79 runs without any loss. No doubt several fielding lapses on the part of the home team helped the opening batsmen a good deal. But these must have been due to the slippery condition of the ground. Any way it was Vijay's and Mushtaq's luck.

RUBBER FOR ENGLAND?

If the tourists manage to draw—even in a creditable manner—the honour of the series will remain with England, by virtue of their success in the first Test at Lord's.

GURKHA'S FAILURE

I was down at the St. Xavier's ground, Parel, on Sunday evening to witness the trial match between a team of selected players who are likely to represent Bombay in the coming Inter-Provincial Tournament and a Gurkha Regiment. But the latter failed to turn up, to the utter disappointment of the expectant crowd. I understood from the I.F.L. Secretary that the Gurkhas were very anxious to have a game and it was at their repeated requests this match was arranged. And they had assured even on Sunday morning that they would fulfil the engagement. Their non-appearance was, therefore, exceedingly surprising. Some of the angry spectators demanded their money back. But Brother Noguera, the officer incharge of the Gymkhana persuaded them to go away on the assurance that the Gurkhas would be asked to honour their word today when Tatas have agreed to give them a game. Of course, the same tickets will hold good today. Thus an ugly situation was averted. I hope the Gurkhas will see their way to play today and also offer their explanation for the lapse.

INDIAN CYCLISTS FOR ZURICH

Thanks to the help given by Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son, the Indian Cyclists have managed to secure passage to Zurich and they will reach there in time of the World Cycling Championships. But knowing as we do their capabilities, we need hardly feel happy over the prospects. The chances are that they will lead the tail and make themselves the laughing stock of the spectators. Who can expect them to make an impressive show in an assemblage of world's best cyclists? Those who helped them financially to make the trip will however have the satisfaction—pace Janki Dass—that the experience gained by Havewalla and Co. will be useful to the country at large on their return home.

G. I. P. DRAW WITH TATAS

BOMBAY, Monday.

TATAS	2
G. I. P.	2

The Tatas met with yet another reverse in the second half of the Senior division of Harwood League when G.I.P. Railway shared four goals equally with them. On a sodden outfield conducive more to fun than football, the holders of the League honours had to fight hard to stave off a defeat. Actually on the run of play, the honours were equally shared by both the sides as indicated by the score.

Mandon (Sr.) was again the most outstanding defender of the evening and brought off a number of saves which helped to keep the Railwaymen's score low.

The Railway forged ahead through their brilliant forward Pandurang who stepped into the breach created by centre-forward Tambe and when half time was called there was no addition to the score.

Keshav restored equality after half time but the Railway again took the lead through the same player. Mandon (Sr.) scored the second goal for his side after an indirect kick had been awarded inside the penalty area as a result of Custodian D'Costa handling the ball.

The Teams:

TATAS—Thingalaya, Mandon (Jr.) and Mandon (Sr.); Anantram, Krishnan and Damodar; Laxman, Shetty, Godhino, Keshav and Peter.

G. I. P.—D. D'Costa; C. Pavey and V. Thomson; R. Almeida, D. Fernandes and B. Fernandes; J. Delgado, Pandurang Shiva and S. James.

Referee: Jayaraman.

C. C. I. Badminton

Keen Tussle In Doubles Events

BOMBAY, Monday.

A number of interesting and keenly contested matches were seen this evening at the C. C. I. Open Badminton Championships. Most of them were in the pair events. The match in which Siru and Miss Canteenwala prevailed over Menon and Miss Jadhav was replete with thrills. It was only after a gruelling struggle that the former could win at 15-7, 16-17, 15-10.

A couple of interesting matches were played in the men's singles event as well C. L. Desouza getting the better of the exhibitionist O. S. Gopal at 15-5, 9-15, 15-8. Another encounter of note was the clash between Chabbria and Vin which the former won at 15-13, 4-15, 15-8.

The rest of the matches turned out according to form and the fancied players and pairs passed into the next rounds.

COURT NO. 1

4-00 P.M. Pandurang Ramji Vs. Laxman Devoo; 4-20 P.M. Muradkhan Vs L. G. Salve; 4-40 P.M. M K Bopardikar Vs. S N Seth; 5-00 P.M. N Antia & Miss H Dubash Vs Mrs. D I Kania & B P Koppikar; 5-20 P.M. B V Ullal & Miss Nigudkar Vs. A V Ullal & Miss P M Jnaveri or Miss L M Merchant & P M D Thackersey; 5-40 P.M. Miss M R Chinoy & K R Lotwalla Vs. A G Kalyanpur & Partner; 6-00 P.M. Mrs M J Pinto & C D'Souza Vs. V N Iyer & Miss N Gopaldas 6-20 P.M. G P Shirke & Miss Wagle Vs. C B Kalappa & Mrs. Yederi; 6-40 P.M. M N Desai & C K Menon Vs. B P Koppikar & P M Thackersey; 7-00 P.M. V N Iyear & K R Lotwalla Vs. R D Desai & A G Kalyanpur; 7-20 P.M. R V Bhide & Bhopardikar Vs. A V Ullal & B V Ullal.

COURT NO. 2

4-00 P.M. Vasoodev Atmaram Vs. Hari S More; 4-20 P.M. Popatlal Mohamal Vs. Narayan Ratnoo; 4-40 P.M. Sanzgiri Vs. D N Dhongade; 5-00 P.M. Mrs. I Marfatin & Partner Vs. Miss P D Shroff & Partner; 5-20 P.M. C L de Soysa & Mrs. Q Abreo Vs. C Dias & Mrs. B Castelino; 5-40 P.M. S Dinker Rao & R S Belthangady Vs. B D Shroff &D Kumana; 6-00 P.M. G D Patwardhan & D G Mugwe Vs. Bhoja Ullal & K Bhatt; 6-20 P.M. V S Bawdekar & G A Ranade Vs. J Patel & Mahesh Desai; 6-40 P.M. Miss M Chinoy & Miss F Tulyarkhan Vs. Miss B Furtas & Miss D'Cruz; 7-00 P.M. K K Sachdeva & K M G Menon Vs. V G Bhide & G P Shirke; 7-20 P.M. Mrs. M J Pinto & Mrs Jaikar Vs. Miss. A R Vimadalal & Miss M R Vimadalal.

NEW ASSOCIATION FOR INDIANS IN BRITAIN

'Culture Centre' Housing 60 To 70 Persons Will Be A Museum, Says V. K. Menon

BOMBAY, Monday.

A cultural institution known as the Indian Association and Institute has recently been formed in London, for the purpose mainly of promoting the cultural advancement and social welfare of Indians in Britain, and of interpreting to other nations, Indian culture in its various aspects.

Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the India League in Britain, who is the Secretary of this new association, explaining to pressmen to-day the nature and objects of the association, said that it would be a non-political and non-party organisation. It would be an entirely national organisation, formed purely on a cultural basis.

The Association has been formed "for the cultural and social self-assertion of India" as Mr. Menon put it. The Association has in view the cultural advancement of Indian nationals residing in or visiting the United Kingdom, particularly students. It will organise and undertake lectures study courses, publications, art exhibitions, films shows, dramatic and musical performances etc.

A large house, which is to be a "Cultural Centre" has been procured by the association and it will provide accommodation, from October, for 60 to 70 students, of which nearly 75 per cent will be of Indian nationality and the rest of other nationalities. The inclusion of foreign nationals is with the object of creating better cultural understanding between India and other countries. This house, will be a museum of Indian culture, where, according to Mr. Krishna Menon, "even the food will represent culture and not curry powder."

OFFICE-BEARERS.

The Association has Mr. Shakir Mohamedi, as its president, and Mr. Protool Chandra Bhandari as its chairman. Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon is the Secretary. Others connected with it are Mr. Chunilal Katial, Mr. J. K. Handoo and Mrs. Handoo, Mr. Sunder Kabadi, and Mr. R. A. Zakaria.

JAWAHAR WELCOMES IT

Welcoming the formation of the India Association, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru says: "I know that some efforts to start cultural and similar centres abroad have been made in the past, but they have been on a small scale and have not gone far. It seems to me essential that social and cultural centres as well as student centres should be established for Indians in foreign countries where our people live or go for studies. Some such thing is particularly necessary in the United Kingdom where such large numbers of Indians still reside or study. Something had been done in the past for students by official agencies, but this has been entirely unsatisfactory as it was bound to be, so long as the official agency was divorced from the living currents of Indian life. A Free India would naturally remedy this defect. Nevertheless it is desirable for private efforts to be made in this connection."

Pandit Nehru adds that the Association should be welcomed not only by Indians but by Britishers, for it would mean providing healthy contacts between the two.

Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon appeals to all Indians to tend their full support to the new scheme. The association is at present badly lacking in funds and he hopes that it will get strong financial support from India.

Cereals In Diet

Doctors M. D. D. Gilder, M.B. (Dublin), F. R. C. S. (Eng.), A. S. Erulkar, M.D. (London), M. R. C. P. (Eng.), and P. C. Bharucha, M.D. (London), have issued the following statement:—

We have seen the appeal made by the People's Provincial Food Council to those who are well-to-do enough to consume unrationed food to forgo the whole or part of their cereal ration for the next three months.

In case there should be any apprehension felt in any quarters that absence of cereals from the diet will prejudicially affect health and vitality, we have no hesitation in saying that those who can afford a balanced diet, including milk, vegetables, fruits and nuts, and even more so those who can also eat meat, fish and eggs, can very well dispense with cereals without in any way adversely affecting their health.

R. I. N. SHIP AT PORT LOUIS

(From Our Correspondent)

MAURITIUS, Aug. 19.

"Dhanush", the training ship of R.I.N., arrived from Mombassa this morning. All are well on board.

A reception has been arranged for to-morrow by the Naval Entertainment Committee.

MADRAS POLITICALS

MADRAS, August 19 (U.P.I.): It is learnt that the Madras Government have decided to abolish the system of classifying political prisoners under groups A, B and C based on their status in life and have issued orders that in future political prisoners will be treated as belonging to a single group and adequate amenities will be provided to them.

PARSIS ARE NOT ANTI-CONGRESS

Sidhwa Refutes Jinnah's Statement

KARACHI, Aug. 19. (A.P.I.): Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, Secretary of the Sind Coalition Assembly Party and a Parsi Congress leader in a statement refutes the suggestion Mr. Jinnah has made in his recent statement replying to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, "that the Parsi organization is certainly not with the Congress".

Pointing out that the Parsi Panchayat of cities in various provinces are the recognized bodies of the Parsi Community, Mr. Sidhwa says "none of them, whether in Bombay, Poona, Surat, Broach, Ahmedabad, Nagpur, Belgaum, Madras, Calcutta, Lahore, or Karachi has ever issued a statement or passed a resolution that they are against the Congress organization. There may be some difference of opinion, as it is in all organizations, but to say that the Parsis are against the Congress is most misleading and mischievous".

Mr. Sidhwa says: "While the British Government wanted to divide the various communities in India, Sir Samuel Hoae, the then Secretary of State for India, in 1943 stated that along with the Muslims the Parsis also desired separate electorate. This false statement was immediately contradicted by thousands of Parsis, residing in Bombay, who stated that the Parsis had never demanded a separate electorate and added that their interests were fully safeguarded by the Congress organization.

Mr. Jinnah by his incorrect statement wants to play the same role as did Sir Samuel Hoare. Sir Samuel Hoare did not succeed in his mischief. Mr. Jinnah must understand that he too will fail ignominously and worse than Sir Samuel Hoare".

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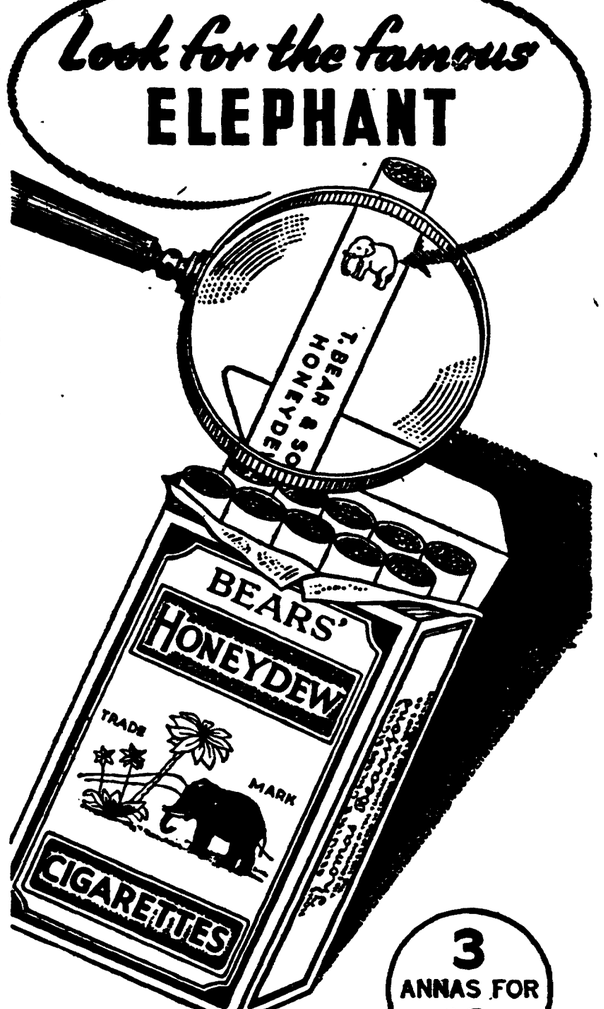

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ASAF ALI INDICTS KASHMIR ADMINISTRATION

Concludes Defence Case In Sheikh Abdullah Trial

SRINAGAR, Aug. 18, (U.P.I.): "Bhagat Singh figures in the political history of India and only those who are familiar with what Bhagat Singh stands for will understand what Sheikh Abdullah's reference to him means", said Mr. Asaf Ali, Defence Counsel, summing up his arguments in the sedition case against Sheikh Abdullah yesterday.

Mr. Asaf Ali said that the accused in his speech of May 16 made a reference to Bhagat Singh's patriotism. Bhagat Singh's entire life was spent in patriotic pursuits. "Is it a crime to be patriotic?" Mr. Asaf Ali asked. He added: "Even the Maharaja of Kashmir in his statement of 1942 called upon not only the people of India, but also on the Princes to be patriotic.

"The reference in Abdullah's speech to the spending of the hard-earned money of the people on horses and dogs was not intended for the Maharaja." Witness included only three non-officials. Most of the evidence related to the events which began on May 22 following the arrest of Sheikh Abdullah. There was evidence to prove that the arrest was naturally followed by trouble. Even the Government Press Note stated that the arrest was followed by disturbances." Referring to the evidence of the Rampal Magistrate, Mr. Asaf Ali observed that the shouting of slogans by some Muslims could not mean public disorder. "Was any one arrested for shouting objectionable slogans at the end of speeches of the accused?" he asked. "This shows no objectionable slogans were shouted. These slogans are just an invention of the prosecution. Even local newspapers did not mention these slogans."

Commenting on Omkarnath and Brijendranath, Mr. Asaf Ali stated that the accused stood by the slogans: "Off With Amritsar Treaty" and "Quit Kashmir." Of course objectionable slogans began to be shouted when the executive attacked the public, dishonoured their women and committed other excesses.

WHAT ABDULLAH SAVED

"This is the greatest disservice of the executive to the Maharaja", Mr. Asaf Ali added. "It was a great provocation to shoot the people in Khanqa Mualla. The blame for what followed lies on the executive." After the evidence of Pandit Nandlal and two C.I.D. reporters, Mr. Asaf Ali dealt with the evidence of Pandit Soomnath, President of the Srinagar Municipality, and observed that according to Witness damage to public property amounted to Rs. 70,068. "Would you call it sabotage or rioting? Should eight persons be killed for this? Mr. Asaf Ali asked. He said that half the city would have been burnt if Sheikh Abdullah had advocated violence. He saved the State from communalism.

Referring to the cutting of public telephones by Government, Mr. Asaf Ali said that it meant cutting the public off even from Government. After dealing with the evidence of Dr. Hafizullah and Dr. Sardul Singh and the dying declaration of a person before the former, Mr. Asaf Ali referred to Lt. Labh Singh's evidence and remarked: "The Military cannot be let loose just in anticipation of trouble. Even then it has to act under the orders of the civil authorities. Labh Singh only received request from the civil authorities. The proper thing for the authority was to seal the entrances and arrest the people when they came out. Why were hey not shot next day and the days following when the same slogans were shouted? That is because the authority had no guts to do so."

Asaf Ali said that Mr. Brijendra Mohan, Secretary of the Hindu Students' Federation and Mr. Omkarnath were most partial witnesses. They were an aggrieved party.

Mr. Asaf Ali said that Pandit Hiranand Raina admitted that slogans were generally raised against the Premier and occasionally against the Maharaja. Mr. Gulam Mohammed, a goldsmith, had given his original statement in secret that he could not go against the Government or the police.

Referring to the evidence of Mr. Gulam Mohammed, Director of the visitors' 'Bureau, Mr. Asaf Ali said that four persons buried at Bagnagarmal were not given the last bath. They were burned at two in the morning. "Evidence on this point is of a most scandalous nature", said Mr. Asaf Ali. On the basis of the evidence of Col. Narayan Singh and the Government's Press Notes etc. put together, Mr. Asaf Ali inferred that not less than twelve persons were killed. He said that Government have tried to minimise their own enormities and to throw mud on a person who was trying to save the State from ruin.

SEDITION, THEN AND NOW

Concluding his arguments Mr. Asaf Ali said that sedition had changed its colour from time to time. Sedition was rather an all-embracing offence, but it was dangerous to deal with popular leaders under this section of C.P.C. It was easy to convict a person but it was difficult to extinguish a fire lit by it.

Mr. Asaf Ali appealed for the "vicious circle" being broken and stressed the need of conciliation being brought about between the ruler and the ruled "One conviction will not solve the problem. It will increase the mischief" said he. "My endeavour has been to keep the ruler out of the controversy."

Earlier Mr. Asaf Ali dealt with the recorded evidence of Jiaial Durbari, Asst. Superintendent of the C.I.D. branch, and said that the witness was the prime mover and promoter of the case. He was speaking with his tongue in his cheeks and his evidence was baseless and worthless.

WHY MILITARY

Referring to Durbari's assertion that the "Quit Kashmir" movement did not produce any effect on the loyal subjects of the Maharaja, Mr. Asaf Ali said, "It shows that the "Quit Kashmir" movement did not have that effect which the executive tried to show. Why was the military spread over the whole of Kashmir?" Referring to the confidential diary of May 4 produced by witness, Mr. Asaf Ali said that the hollowness and silliness of the document was clear. He read over the whole diary and remarked that the document was inadmissible as evidence as it was based on hearsay. He added: "A State can sustain on the information of the public, namely, the Press and the Legislature. But a Government which has to depend on the C.I.D. may rest assured that its evil days are not far off."

Before the Court rose for the day Mr. Asaf Ali produced "In rich Kashmir", the prescribed book, before the Court as promised earlier.

Mr. Asaf Ali thanked the Judge, Lala Barkatrai, for giving a patient hearing.

"With thanks to Mr. Asaf Ali we disperse", said the Judge.

The prosecution argument will commence from tomorrow.

ONE MAN SHOT DEAD

Sequel To Clash Between Police And Villagers

LAHORE, August 19, (A.P.I.): One man was shot dead and another sustained injuries as the result of a scuffle between a police party and some villagers of the village of Lidder in police station Burki in Lahore District.

It is stated that a police party raided the village of Lidder, in search of an absconder. A quarrel between some villagers and a police officer is said to have led to an attack on the police party. A villager named Gulab died of pistol shot and his brother Munshi sustained injuries. The police officer also received a cut on his forehead.

The injured man has been brought to Lahore.

MINE EXPLOSIONS IN TRIESTE

45 Killed And 57 Injured

TRIESTE, August 19, (A.P.A.): Forty-five persons were killed and 57 injured 19 of them seriously when several mines exploded on the beach at Vergarola near Pola South of Trieste, yesterday afternoon, reports said last night.

The reports, received by the Allied Information Service, said the explosion took place at 13-15 hours G.M.T. only 30 feet from the sea, in which hundreds of bathers were swimming.

The cause of the explosion, which blew some of the victims to bits, was not immediately determined.

DISAPPEARANCE OF BRITISH SOLDIERS AND POWS

TRIESTE, August 19, (A.P.A.): Reports of the disappearance two days ago of eight British soldiers and seven German prisoners of war were confirmed last night by 13TH Corps Headquarters at Duino.

The soldiers, in three lorries, were last reported en route to Lazaretto on the coast, about seven and half miles south-east of Trieste.

They were believed to have lost their way and strayed into the Yugoslav-occupied zone.

Lazaretto is in zone A, about one kilometer north of the Morgan line.

The authorities reported that the Yugoslav Mission in zone A has been informed of the disappearance of the soldiers and the Pows but no information about them had been received last night.

Govt. Estate Administrator

Tottenham Gets Post Recommended By Himself

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, August 18. Sir Richard Tottenham is rejoining the Government of India almost the same time as the new Interim Government takes office. Sir Richard has been appointed Director-General of the Central Administrative Office —a new organisation which is being created to administer Government estates, both office and residential and will be responsible for the supply of office equipment, maintenance and enforcement of rule of office procedure, training of clerks and junior officers, hours of work and holidays, administration of the messenger staff, security arrangements, welfare of ministerial and menial staff, cypher bureau, secretariat library and move to and from Simla.

It is intended that the Central Administrative Office, in due course, should form a part of the Premier's portfolio. For the present it is expected to work under the Co-ordination Committee of the Executive Council. The post of Administrator-General of the Director-General, Administration Office, carries a salary of Rs. 3,500. The organisation is being created in pursuance of the recommendation made by Sir Richard himself in his report on the reorganisation of the Secretariat.

Sir Richard was Additional Secretary, Home Department, in charge of Law and Order during the 1942 Congress Movement.

POLICE OFFICER SUSPENDED

Alleged To Have Received Bribe

A Sub-Inspector of Police belonging to the Greater Bombay Police Force has come to grief for alleged acceptance of Rs. 100 as illegal gratification.

The officer in question Mr. H. D. Shete, is alleged to have demanded Rs. 300 from a Pathan whose relative he had arrested on a charge of committing rape.

Somehow, the Pathan learnt that there was an Anti-Corruption Branch to deal with such matters and he communicated with Deputy Commissioner Kamte, that the accused was promised to be released by Mr. Shete if the demanded bribe was paid. Mr. Kamte advised him to do a little higgling and bring down the terms to Rs. 100. This was successfully managed.

In the meanwhile, however, the Deputy Commissioner, deputed two officers from his department to watch the Sub-Inspector Shete. A trap was then laid. The unsuspecting Sub-Inspector, it is alleged, accepted the money and then went and deposited the same with a hotel-keeper for safe custody on the promise that he would call later to collect the amount.

Following a raid, the hotel-keeper produced the marked notes given to him by S.-I. Shete, whom he subsequently identified at a parade of several Sub-Inspectors held for the purpose.

The arrested Sub-Inspector has been suspended.

Stolen Military Stores Unearthed

BOMBAY, Monday: Sub-Inspector Sassoon of the Prohibition Department of the Bombay City Police has discovered a veritable treasure-trove of stolen military property concealed cleverly in a chawl at Worli, by some Bombay underworld genius.

The Sub-Inspector, on receipt of information, that a illicit country liquor was being distilled in the chawl, situated at Cross Road, Sewri, raided the place yesterday. To his bewilderment, instead of finding "stills and wash", the usual distilling paraphernalia, he happened to see large consignments of military goods worth thousands of rupees stacked in perfect stevedoring order.

A search of the premises disclosed Human Plasma, in quantities that could vie with a blood-bank and injections of a number of varieties.

The goods, it is suspected, are the property of the Military Medical Directorate.

The Police have arrested the tenants of the chawl, Dubia Ganoo and his mother, who to all intents, only kept the goods for someone. The Police are now on the track of the real culprit who they suspect should have been hand-in-glove with some person or persons in the department from whose godowns the goods have disappeared.

Jewish Top Secret Offensive

Document As To Their Plan Now In Hands Of British Army Intelligence

LONDON, August 19. (Reuter): Documents now in the hands of British army intelligence officers reveal that all Jewish Resistance and Terrorist groups in Palestine are due to launch a country-wide offensive today, reports the Special Correspondent in Jerusalem of the "Daily Graphic".

The Correspondent adds that at 8 A. M. today, 50,000 British troops will be on the alert, mounting double will be on the alert, mounting double guards on all public buildings and police stations.

Special security precautions will protect senior army officers and Government officials.

The Correspondent, who quotes the information from "most reliable sources", said that all British officers were informed of the details of the Terrorists' plans at a special conference held by every unit throughout Palestine yesterday morning.

"Fantastic as the document outlining the whole plan—more comprehensive than any other in history of Palestine—may seem, the whole strength of the British army in Palestine will be marshalled to preserve British lives and maintain order tomorrow", the 'Daily Graphic' Correspondent stated.

Britain should give a year's notice to terminate the Palestine mandate, declares the Conservative "Daily Express."

"The onus of conciliating the Jews with Arabs and establishing a peaceful future for this troubled land is too heavy for Britain."

"If we leave Palestine a year hence, we shall have nothing with which to reproach ourselves," the "Daily Express" concludes.

JERUSALEM, August 19 (A.P.A.): Several hundred Jewish youths rushed to the platform of a mass meeting called in Tel Aviv yesterday to protest against the deportation of refugees when speakers failed to mention the death sentences passd on 18 members of the Stern Gang.

After an orderly mass meeting in Tel Aviv's Habimah theatre, Municipal officials asked the crowd to return to their homes and workspots. A group of youths wielding clubs then swarmed to the platform, seized the microphone and tried to harangue the crowd. The public address system was switched off, however, and a half-hour melee ensued with Jew fighting Jew, Conservative against Extremist elements before they were dispersed.

Two hours later several crowds milled around in various parts of Tel Aviv, but no incidents were reported.

Meanwhile, contrary to information given to the Associated Press of America at Haifa yesterday morning by police officials, the Government announced that one of the two deportation ships which were due to take refugees to Cyprus returned within half an hour because the immigrants tried to scuttle the ship by blasting.

An Officer of the Palestine Police, Major Price, had reported in the morning that "the transfer of refugees passed off without incident, and both the "Empire Heywood" and "Empire Rival" are now on their way to Cyprus."

A Government 'communique' issued shortly thereafter said: "The second deportation of illegal immigrants occurred early this morning (Sunday) "without incident". A later announcement, however despite the earlier "without incident" claim, and despite the statement by the Police Major who admitted he was present when the immigrants were transferred, listed theso occurrences during transhipment:

"Immigrants from the refugee ship '23' offered no resistance and were quickly transferred to the 'Empire Rival', but those aboard the 'Fenice', after a few had passed through the searching pens, refused to leave their ship and retired to the hold, in spite of the use of fire hoses."

The 'communique' stated that they refused to come out and "it was necessary to use tear gas."

Refugees aboard the "Fenice" were finally got aboard the "Empire Heywood" by force and the ship left the harbour at 5-30 a.m. (local time), the announcement said. Shortly after 6-00 a.m. a small explosion took place in the hold of the "Empire Heywood", the statement added.

The "Empire Heywood" returned to port and is still there.

NEWS FROM CITY MARKETS

SHARE BAZAR

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was closed today. The market sentiment was bullish and Tata Steel Dids were nominally quoted at Rs. 3,630 3-1/2 per cent Government paper was quoted at Rs. 105/15.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

The produce market was quiet today with increased selling pressure. The future of groundnuts entirely depends upon whether exports will be allowed while the crop prospects are better and the outturn is likely to be much above last year. Thus there is more disposition to sell new crop and November/December delivery declined Rs. 1/4 at Rs. 19/6. G I P Stations Khandesh quality Groundnuts stood at Rs 23. Nizam State quality Rs 21/6 and Latur Rs 22 Groundnut Oil Bombay Mills Rs 14 Upcountry Mills Rs 13/4 and September Rs. 13.

Castorseeds market was quiet and the market believes that further purchases will be at a decline of 10 shillings Castorseeds Bombay delivery Rs. 23/10. Navlakhi Rs. 23/12 and Goa delivery Rs. 23/14.

It is said that the Government has banned exports of Linseed Britain has completed its quota but Australia has not done so under this state exporters who are long are likely to liquidate their purchases Linseed ready Rs 26/6 August/September Rs 26/6 and September/November Rs 26/10. Linseed Oil is quoted at Rs 15.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th month
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th month
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th month
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th month
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th—9th month
London Banks Buying 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th month.
London Banks Buying 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th month
London Banks Buying 90 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th month
New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs 332 1/2.
New York Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 332 1/2.
New York Banks Buying T. T. Rs 329 3/4
New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs 328 3/4 under L/C.
New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328 1/2 not under L/C.
Montreal Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 333.
Montreal Banks Buying T. T. Rs 329 1/4.
Montreal Banks Buying D D. Rs 328 1/4
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 3550.
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 3650.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79.
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Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 84.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D D. Rs. 157.

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London/Singapore 2/3 15/16-2/4 5/32.
London/Paris Fcs. 479 70-480.30
London/Belgium Fcs 176 1/2-3/4
London/Switzerland Fcs 17-34-36
London/Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50.
London/Denmark Kr. 19.32-36.
London/New York dol 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2.
London/Montreal dol. 4.02-4.04.
London/Amsterdam Fl. 10.68-70.
London/Java Fl. 7.58-62.
London/Bangkok Tol. 40.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull
Gold London £8.12-3.
Gold New York dol. 35
Silver London 55.1/2.
Silver New York 90.1/8.
London Discts. 3 months 17/32 p.c.
London Discts. 6 months 9/16-5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.
Money:—Call 1/4 p.c. 3 months 1/2 p.c. 6 months 3/4 p.c. 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.
Tone:—Fair Demand.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

The cotton market was open today for one hour and in this short session there was wider price movement.

September contract opened at Rs. 427 against last closing at Rs. 422 and declined at Rs. 420 on renewed heavy selling. At the decline there was scattered short covering and September rallied at Rs. 423

As pointed out before the local market is well liquidated and naturally shorts are inclined to cover but the market sentiment being demoralised there remains utter absence of any buying although present price of Indian cotton is too low.

There was renewed selling and September declined at Rs. 419 and steadier at Rs. 420/8.

The Board is meeting today to discuss cotton problems and find out whether there was Bear raid.

The market closed at 2 p.m. as under:—

September 420 8 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton September Contract is 1945 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

Bullion Market Suspends Trading

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

The Bombay Bullion Exchange Suspended trading today on account of riots at Calcutta.

NEW YORK WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

NEW YORK, August 17, (U.P.A.): A United Press review of the New York Cotton Exchange for the week ending today showed that the sharp upward trend in cotton prices which was under way since the first of the month, came to an abrupt halt during the week.

Friday's close list ruled 17 to 148 points—85 cents to dol. 7.40 per bale—lower than in the previous week.

The new crop positions showed that the greatest declines reflecting that liquidation on behalf of the present high prices would bring a substantial increase in the plantings next season.

With the likelihood that the supply of farm labour then would be adequate and in view of the progress of the farm mechanization, market students foresaw the possibility that the present tight statistical position would be effectively relieved by then.

Nearby positions resisted declines under the influence of persistent trade buying against textile orders and increasing concern over weevil damage as well as the persistent dry weather. Despite the dullness presented by the textile trade, mill interests were persistent buyers of nearby months on setbacks. Carolina mills were accredited buyers of 100,000 bales during the week, supposedly either against textile orders or for inventory reasons, anticipated further textiles ceiling rises.

England was again reported to be seeking offers of American cotton for November and December shipment from the Gulf ports, but other shippers noted a falling-off in export inquiries, suggesting that European mills may have covered their requirements for the time being.

WORTH STREET REVIEW

NEW YORK, August 17, (UPA).

A review of the Worth Street Cotton Cloth Market, carried out by the United Press of America for the week ending today, shows that users of cotton textile fabrics face the prospect of slender supplies unless some plan can be devised to keep the fabric ceilings moving in unison with raw cotton fluctuations.

This conviction became deeply implanted this week in the Worth Street area where business fell to unparalleled dullness while producers waited to see how the problem could be solved.

Industry leaders point out that since the ceilings based on 32.78 cents for cotton were announced on August 4, 1946, the new cotton market has risen to dol. 15.00 per bale higher, which disparity is presenting a stumbling block to production and merchandising plans.

Traders previously suggested an automatic textile price change at each fifty point change in the price of raw cotton.

Under the present situation it has been suggested that any "tripping" point change now might be widened to one-hundred points.

Also hampering activity in the market was the uncertainty as to what compensation the mills would receive for wage increases granted since July 1, 1946. Some quarters estimated that the increases, if approved, would mean a further rise of around three per cent in ceilings.

As far as the wool fabrics industry is concerned, the O.P.A. is scheduled to meet on Monday for a formal discussion on the price situation. Meanwhile, activity in this section of the market has fallen to a minimum.

The pattern in rayon fabrics also conformed largely to the situation in other textiles.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, Aug. 19

Cocoanuts Raw 160 Dry 195 Cocoanut Oil 640 Copra Office 415 Dilpasand 475 Madrasnorteam 500 Goodgoods 460 Pepper Wynaad 560 Country 550 Dry-ginger Chernad 360 Ernad 345 Coffe Robusta 53.

BANKERS' CLEARING.

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 16th Aug. 1946 were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 1,61,006.
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 52,93,94,-982-14-6.

Suspected To Have Hand In Murder

BOMBAY, Monday.

Being suspected to have a hand in the murder of a coolie, Ansalli Hansal was apprehended to-day by the Phaltan Road Police.

It is learnt that an unknown coolie was found in an unconcious state with injuries on his face, lying in a stall at the Crawford Market on July 3. He was removed to the G. T. Hospital where he expired without making any statement.

In the course of inquiries, it transpired that two coolies always to be seen in the company of the deceased had suddenly vanished after the incident.

To-day, the accused was pointed out as one of the persons missing. He was questioned by the Police, but could not give any satisfactory account of his absence.

He was remanded into police custody by order of Mr. G. K. Rege, Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Court, to-day.

Subhas Bose To Appear In Public On Oct. 21?

ALLAHABAD, August 19, (U.P.I): Hope is being expressed in the local Forward Block circles that Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose will appear in public on October 21, the day scheduled to be observed all over the country in commemoration of the estbliahment of the Azad Hind Government.

The Secretary of the All-India Forward Bloc, in cource of a circular letter to all Presidents and Genral Secretaries of the Provincial Forward Blocs, has appealed to the Congress and the nation to whole-heartedly make the celebrations a grand success.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (Reuter): United States exports, enormously increased by Lend-Lease, reached the total value of 45,000,000,000 dollars in the period 1942-1945, the United States Chamber of Commerce reported to-night. This amount is equal in value to exports from the United States for the 14 years period before the war.

DISPOSALS

CEILING FANS AC & DC

The Director General of Disposals (E. G. Directorate), New Delhi, invites tenders for the purchase and removal of the following:—

BOMBAY: CEILING FANS 200 250 VOLTS, A.C. 56" SWEEP, MAKE G.E.C.

CALCUTTA: CEILING FANS 200 250 VOLTS, D.C. 36", 38", 40" and 48" SWEEPS, MIXED MAKES, G.T.E., I.E.W. and O.M.O.

Tenderers should apply on their own forms superscribed reference Tender No. DGD EG-4 SR-50228 due on the 9 September, 1946, along with a deposit at call receipt of 25% of the cost of fans tendered as earnest money deposited in Imperial Reserve Bank/Government Treasury in favour of Direc or General of Disposals, New Delhi.

Fans will be sold at the Producers' Maximum prices as fixed by the Government of India Department of Industries and Supplies in the Gazette of India Notification No. 1 2 (29)-45-CG (CS) dated 28th April, 1945, for producers specified in Schedule II of the Notification, except in the case of 36" and 40" sweeps where lower prices have been fixed. Fans are offered subject to prior sale, the right of allocation is reserved. Sales will be subject to conditions in Form Con. 117.

AUCTION AT SASSOON DOCK, COLABA.

At 9 a. m. on 22 August, 1946 Items to be sold:

Furniture, like Spring Cots, Medicine Baskets, Tables, Chairs, Weighing Machines, etc., and Ship Chandler Stores.

AUCTION AT VICTUALLING STORES DEPOT, COTTON GREEN, SEWRI

at 9 a.m. on 23 August 1946.

Items to be sold:

Household utensils, Pots & Pans, Degchis, Miscellaneous Stores, etc.

AUCTION OF AMERICAN SURPLUS STORES

A public auction will be held at the U. S. A. S. S. Depot, Dr.gh Road, Karachi, every day at 9 a.m. from 21st to 24th August and from 26th to 27th August 1946 to dispose of the under noted American Surplus Stores:—

21ST TO 23RD AUGUST

Textiles (Woollen & Cotton), Furniture (Steel & Wood), Canteen Mess Kits, and Electrical equipment (Generators, Refrigerators, fans, etc.)

24TH AUGUST AND 26TH TO 27TH AUGUST

Motor Vehicles, Motor-Cycles, trailers, etc.

An Auction of Vehicles will also be held on the 28th August if found necessary.

25% of the value of stores purchased will have to be paid in cash on the fall of hammer. The other conditions of sale may be obtained from the Regional Commissioner Disposals, Lahore, to whom applications should also be made for all other particulars.

The Auctioneers will be Messrs R. P. Kharas & Co., Karachi.

AMERICAN SURPLUS STORES TENDER

The Regional Commissioner Disposals, Lahore, invites tenders for the purchase of the following American Surplus Stores available at the U. S. A. S. S. Depot, Drigh Road, Karachi:—

DUPLICATORS, ADDING MACHINES, CALCULATORS, WIRE NETTING, STATIONERY, BICYCLES.

This is tender No. DIS-USA/MISC 13 due on the 26th August, 1946. Offers should be sent to the Assistant Regional Commissioner Disposals, Karachi 1, and should remain open for acceptance up to 26th September, 1946.

EARNEST MONEY to the extent of the value of stores should be deposited in the Government Treasury/Imperial/Reserve Bank in favour of the Assistant Regional Commissioner Disposals, Karachi and the receipt attached with tenders.

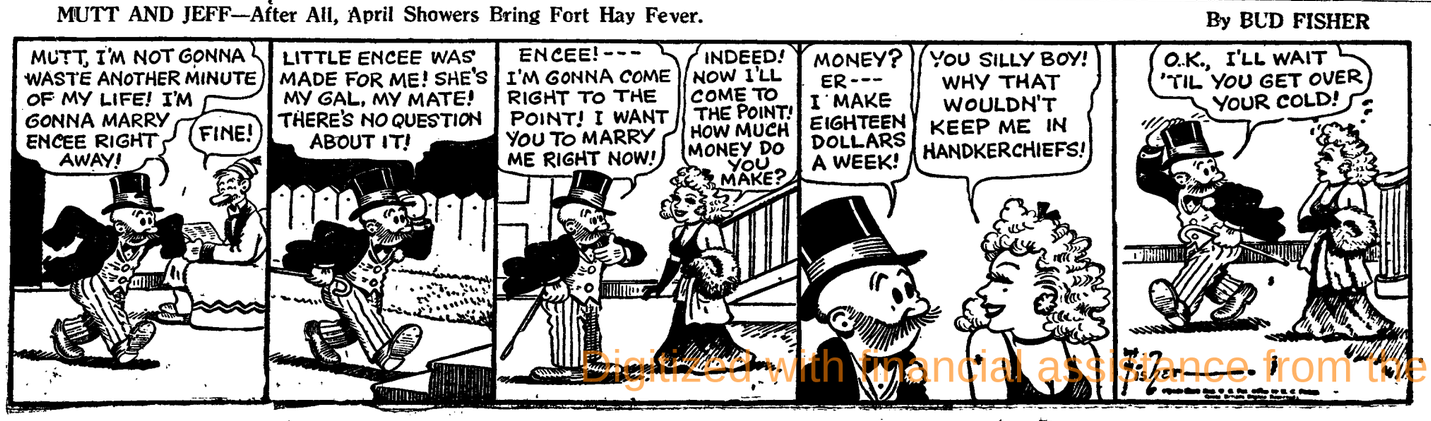
TENDER FORM giving full details can be obtained from the Regional Commissioner Disposals, The Mall, Lahore and the Assistant Regional Commissioner Disposals, Karachi on payment of Rs. 2/- per set (not refundable) to be paid in cash/Money Order/Indian Postal Order. Permit to view the stores at site issued with the tender form.

Delivery of the stores will be onsite and removal will have to be completed within fifteen days from the date of issue of acceptance letter. Sales are subject to the conditions detailed on form Con. 117.

REGIONAL COMMISSIONER DISPOSALS
(SOUTHERN CIRCLE),
Mercantile Chambers, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
Tel: 30041 (5 lines)

DS/87

MUTT AND JEFF—After All, April Showers Bring Fort Hay Fever. By BUD FISHER


MUTT, I'M NOT GONNA WASTE ANOTHER MINUTE OF MY LIFE! I'M GONNA MARRY ENCEE RIGHT AWAY!
FINE!
LITTLE ENCEE WAS MADE FOR ME! SHE'S MY GAL, MY MATE! THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT IT!
ENCEE!--- I'M GONNA COME RIGHT TO THE POINT! I WANT YOU TO MARRY ME RIGHT NOW!
INDEED! NOW I'LL COME TO THE POINT! HOW MUCH MONEY DO YOU MAKE?
MONEY? ER--- I MAKE EIGHTEEN DOLLARS A WEEK!
YOU SILLY BOY! WHY THAT WOULDN'T KEEP ME IN HANDKERCHIEFS!
O.K., I'LL WAIT 'TIL YOU GET OVER YOUR COLD!

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OUR TABULATED ADLETS

2 ANNAS PER WORD.
MINIMUM Rs. 1/8/-.
To be paid in advance.

SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted A Cinema Operator with some knowledge of Bengali. Good prospect. Apply immediately stating experience, to Box No. 3133 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted: Immediately one B.A., LL.B., experienced in the management of properties to work as Estate Manager. Also experienced Shorthand Typist, Typist and Cashiers. Apply Chief Estate Manager, Novha House, opposite Marine Lines Station, Queen's Road, Bombay. (3132)

Wanted immediately a Stenographer to do confidential work on a starting salary of Rs. 150 p.m. plus the usual dearness allowance. Apply stating age, qualifications and experience to the Principal & Secretary, V. J. Technical Institute, Matunga, Bombay, 19. (3118)

Wanted an Office Assistant with good knowledge of Typing and Correspondence. Apply to or see personally Branch Manager, Aryasthan Insurance Co., Ltd., Bell Building, Phrozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay. (9396)

Wanted Shorthand Teacher from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., expert typist and one Typewriter Mechanic for full time or part time. Apply personally with application to Bombay Typewriting Institution, opposite General Post Office, Fort, Bombay. (3129)

Wanted an experienced Customs Clerk for import and export work for an old established Company in Bombay. Apply stating age and experience to Box No. 9382, "Bombay Chronicle."

Applications are invited from respectable Organisers to push our various undertakings on decent salary and Commission. For particulars apply to Commercial Share Dealers Syndicate Ltd., 23/24, Radha Bazar Street, Calcutta. (9368)

If you want any kind of employment in India or Abroad, apply (stating qualifications) for our "Terms". Hastings and Co., Employment Agents, cloth market, Delhi. (3126)

Wanted a B.A., B.Com., for the Manager's Post having experience of work in Motor Transport Business, knowing Limited Companies Accounts, and Secretarial Work, must be expert at drafting letter, knowledge of Office organisation and Office routine necessary. Apply stating qualifications and pay expected. The Managing Director, The National Motor Transport Company Limited, Belgaum. 3125

BOOKS & MAGAZINES.

American and British 1500 magazines covering all subjects. Please write or call at our Office for Catalogue immediately to avoid rising rates. Enter renewals now. We employ no outside canvassers. International Bookhouse, Ltd., Opp. Clock Tower, Fort, Bombay. (9348)

Shorthand Teacher Rs. 2/-. Complete book for self-tuition. City Booksellers Sohangunj, Delhi. (2603)

MEDICAL ADLETS

Vitamins.—When you need Vitamin B1 take Beovit the vitamin B1 tablets made by Tablets Limited, Madras. Also at 11 Western India House, Fort, Bombay. (9187)

AGENTS WANTED

Importers and manufacturers wishing appoint Agents or representatives in Northern India, please write to Manmohanlal & Coy., Post Box 43, New Delhi. (3076)

Wanted Agents to secure Woolien and Silk Cloth orders, terms liberal and free, Western Textiles, Ludhiana. (2932)

MOTOR CAR WANTED

Wanted—Clutchplates of D. K. W. 38 model 7 H.P. Car. Apply to J. P. Tayal, 7/109, Swarupnagar, Cawnpore. (3134)

MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted—Cement floor tiles making equipments. Apply with catalogues to Allied Contractors, Swarupnagar, Cawnpore. (3134)

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Wanted a Party or a Person to purchase the World Rights of Film Pardesi-Balam, a Social-Musical-Romance Film, ready for release. The picture is open for trial at Lahore. For further particulars please contact immediately. Propr: Parker Films, 21, Nicholson Road, Lahore. (3127)

Wanted a Contractor to cut about 2,000 tons Iron Scrap and Used Plates, etc. Apply to Box No. 3135, "Bombay Chronicle".

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Pure Silk Fabrics at Bargain Prices, direct from manufacturers ex immediate stock: Sarees 45" width Rs. 9/8 per yard, shirting 26" width Rs. 6/14 per yard, suiting 27" width Rs. 10 to Rs. 11 per yard. Orders accepted for minimum quantities of 25 yard pieces. Terms cash. Apply Apollo Silk Mill, Kasara Basin Road, Darukhana, Mazagaon, Bombay. (3131)

For sale at Importer's Controlled prices Best American Toilet and General Goods. Few assorted samples cases also available for Rs. 125 per V.P.P. containing 500 numbers comprising 25 varieties. Only dealers need apply. Correspond with Central Trading Corporation, 203, Central Avenue, Calcutta. (3110)

PUBLIC NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICITY, BARODA.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts:—

(I) ELECTRICAL ENGINEER (One post) Salary Rs. 125 p.m. +Rs. 25 p.m. C.A.
QUALIFICATIONS: Graduate or Diploma holder of a recognised Technical Institute. (b) Practical experience in maintenance of a Diesel Power House for at least 5 years. (c) Practical experience in maintenance of High Pension lines and preferably also in erection of 11 K. V. over-head lines.

(II) ELECTRICIAN. (One post) Salary Rs. 50 p.m. + D. A. Rs. 9 p.m.
QUALIFICATIONS: (a) Second Class Wireman's Examination of the Government of Baroda. (b) Practical experience for 3 years in maintenance of L. T. and H. T. over-head lines, repairs of starters, rewinding of motors, etc.

(III) ENGINE DRIVER. (One post) Salary Rs. 50 p.m. + D. A. of Rs. 9 p.m.
QUALIFICATIONS: (a) Second Class Boiler Attendant's Examination. (b) 5 years' practical experience in maintenance of large Diesel engines.

(IV) FITTER. (One post) Salary Rs. 50 p.m. + D.A. of Rs. 9 p.m.
QUALIFICATIONS: Same as for post III (Driver).

(V) SWITCH-BOARD OPERATOR (One post) Salary Rs. 30-4/2-50 + D.A. Rs. 9 p.m.
QUALIFICATIONS: Second-Class Wireman's Examination of Baroda Government.

The posts I to IV are for the Power House at Vijapur in Mehsana District and are chargeable to the maintenance of the Scheme. These posts carry fixed salaries at present but are likely to be made graded with Provident Fund benefit in the near future. The post under V is a permanent post for the Petlad Power House in Baroda Dist. Higher starting salaries will be considered for weli-qualified and experienced applicants. Candidates called for interview will have to come to Baroda at their own expense. Applications stating qualifications, age, etc., along with copies of testimonials should reach the undersigned on or before the 31st August, 1946.

R. P. DESAI,
Chief Electrical Engineer,
Baroda State, Baroda.
Baroda, dated 16-8-46. (9389)

TENDER NOTICE

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF Industries and Supplies (Section SFI) New Delhi, invites Tender No. SFI/70012/I/46 on prescribed forms for supply of about 8,04,188 —Firebricks Country of 3 different sizes to I.S.D. Specification G/Misc/38B as per Drawing No. D.S(M) J. M. P. Drg. No. 43240/62-107 and I. S .D. No. 2472/1 to meet the requirements of E. I. Railway.

Price of the Tender Forms, etc., is Rs. 6 per set and is not refundable and the forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only to the Deputy Director-General (Supplies) New Delhi, quoting tender number and remitter's full address on the Coupon in the case of Money Orders.

Applicants not already on the approved list of the Chief Registration Officer must give their Banker's reference on application for Tender Forms.

Tender forms are also obtainable from the Offices of Directors of Supplies, Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, Madras, Cawnpore and Lahore on payment of tender fee direct to them.

Tenders must be submitted on or before 12-9-1946. (9392)

THE BHARAT SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company "Gool Mansion" Homji Street, Fort, Bombay on MONDAY, the 16th September, 1946, at 3-30 p.m. (Standard Time) to transact the following business.

1. To receive and adopt the 'DIRECTORS' REPORT and AUDITED BALANCE SHEET and PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT made upto 31st March 1946.
2. To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditor or Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix his or their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS, will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 28th August, 1946 to WEDNESDAY, the 18th September, 1946 both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.
PURSHOTAM GOVINDJEE & CO.
Managing Agents.
Bombay 19th August, 1946.

N.B.—Dividend if sanctioned as recommended by the Directors will be paid on and after Thursday the 19th September, 1946 between 12 Noon and 3 p.m. (S.T.) Dividend warrants will be posted to the last Registered address of the shareholders.

MACHINERIES FOR SALE

Oil Expellers—Sohler, Standard and Anderson Types. Best in quality and cheap in price. All spare parts of every make of Expellers. National Expeller Corporation, Bharatnagar, Lahore. 3123

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

CONVERSION of 3½ per cent. NON-TERMINABLE LOANS

FROM THE 15TH AUGUST 1946 TO THE 16TH SEPTEMBER 1946.

(both days inclusive)

Holders of

(1) 3½ Per cent. Loan of 1842-43,
(2) 3½ Per Cent. Loan of 1854-55,
(3) 3½ Per Cent. Loan of 1865,
(4) 3½ Per Cent. Loan of 1879 and
(5) 3½ Per Cent. Loan of 1900-1

(Notified for discharge vide Government Notification No. D/4766-B/46 dated the 24th May, 1946).

will have the option of converting their holdings at par into

(1) 3 Per Cent. Conversion Loan of 1946—
Issue price Rs. 100 per Rs. 100 (Nominal)
or

(2) 2¾ Per Cent. Loan 1976—
Issue price Rs. 99 per Rs. 100 (Nominal)

The 3% Conversion Loan of 1946 is not redeemable before the 16th September 1986 and the investor is guaranteed the rate of interest at 3% for forty years.

Applications will be received at the offices of the Reserve Bank of India at Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras, at branches of the Imperial Bank of India at other places in India and at all Government Treasuries.

For full particulars apply to any of these offices, branches or treasuries.

Issued by Finance Department, Government of India, New Delhi.

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NOTICE

OFFERS FOR THE purchase of surplus silk, art silk, nylon and cotton parachutes, under Tender No. SA-3/1 (13 & 20) may now be sent to Tata Aircraft Ltd., Titaghur Air Depot, 24 Parganas, Bengal, up to 22nd August, 1946, instead of 20th August as previously advertised. Tenders should remain open for acceptance until the 22nd September, 1946. 9388

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Department of Industries & Supplies,
Office of the Director of Supplies, Strand House, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY

TENDER NOTICE

THE DIRECTOR OF SUPPLIES, Bombay, invites Tender No. BOM/M/196 to reach on or before 2-9-46 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from this office at Rs. 5/- (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash or by Money Order or Indian Postal Order (quoting tender No., full name and address of the remitter) for:—

GLASS SHEETS PLAIN of following sizes:—

Size	Quantity
18.1/4" x 10" x 32 ozs.	2,000 Nos.
18.1/4" x 9" x 1/8"	300 Nos.
18.1/4" x 10" x 1/8"	3,300 Nos.
18.1/4" x 9" x 32 ozs.	1,000 Nos.

Applicants not already on approved list of this Deptt. contractors must give their Banker's reference on application for Tender forms. Tender forms will not be issued to firms already black-listed. 9391

NOTICE OF SALE.

IN PURSUANCE of the order of the High Court of Judicature at Lahore dated 16th July, 1946, it is hereby notified that 46791 Ordinary Shares of Ravi Paint Colour and Varnish Works, Ltd., Lahore, belonging to the National Sulphur and Mining Industries Ltd. (In Liquidation) of the nominal value of Rs. 10/- per share, fully paid up (which represent more than 50 per cent of the subscribed share capital of the Ravi Paint Colour and Varnish Works Ltd.) will be sold by public auction in the office of the undersigned at 10-Abbott Road, Lahore, on Monday the 26th of August, 1946, between 11 a. m. and 3 p.m.

The Sale will be subject to the approval and confirmation of the High Court. 25 per cent of the purchase price shall have to be paid at the close of the auction while the balance will be required to be paid within 7 days of the confirmation by the High Court, Lahore. In default of payment the purchase price already paid will stand forfeited.

Other particulars and conditions of Sale can be had from the undersigned.

P. N. JOSHUA, P.C.S.,
Official Liquidator,
The National Sulphur and Mining Industries Ltd.
(In Liqn.) Lahore. (9166)

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE DISTRICT CONTROLLER, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, General Manager's Office, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, invites tenders for supply of milk at Dombivli, Thana, Kalyan and Neral grainshops. Tender forms together with conditions of supply may be obtained free of charge from the above office. Tenders will be received up to 3 P.M. on 27-8-1946. (9376)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF CANTEEN STORES SURPLUS AT GHATKOPAR.

By order of the Canteen Stores Department, we shall sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 26-8-46, at 11 a.m. (S.T.), at Canteen Stores Godown, Ghatkopar (G. I. P.), Canteen equipment, Empty bottles, Gunny bags, Barrels, New Corks, Bottle Crates, Weighing Scales, Chemicals, Furniture and Typewriters, etc.

For view permits apply to:—Ph. 20521.

AUCTION SALE OF BRICK, TILE AND BALLIES STRUCTURES.

By order of the Lands Hirings and Disposals Service we shall sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY, 23rd August, at 11 a.m. (S.T.) at the Crossing of Tansa Mains and Pokhram Road, 2 miles from Thana, the structures of the Pokhram Camp, and on TUESDAY, 27th August at 11 a.m. (S.T.), at the crossings of Tansa Main and Thana-Bhiwandi Road, near Khasoli Bridge, the structures of the Khasoli Camp.

Terms 25 per cent deposit, balance in 7 days and delivery in 21 days.

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AT LOST PROPERTY OFFICE, V. T., including Articles said to be of Gold and Silver, New and Old clothes, blankets, durries, pillows, books, copper, brass and aluminium vessels, boots, shoes, caps, hats, trunks, medicines, cycles, watches, biddies, cigars and cigarettes, etc., on Wednesday and Thursday, the 21st and 22nd instant at 11 a.m. (S.T.) respectively, under instructions from G. I. P. Railway and in accordance with Section 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act 9 of 1890.

Terms: Full cash and immediate delivery.

AUCTION SALE OF ALL STOCK-IN-TRADE OF A SHOP INCLUDING SPORTING MATERIALS such as tennis and Badminton Rackets, cricket bats, hockey sticks, footballs, etc., canvass shoes, school books, pottery articles, and furniture including show cases, tables, chairs, stands, typewriters, etc., on Tuesday, the 22nd instant at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at Alves Baug, 139, Hill Road, Bandra, under instructions from Mr. William Miranda, the Pledgee and on account and at the risk of Mr. Anthony Dominic D. Abrio the pledgor proprietor of B. S. A. Sports Depot.

Terms: Full cash and immediate delivery.

GANDHI & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 85 SERVICEABLE MOTOR CYCLES.

Under instructions from the Regional Disposals Commissioner, Bombay, M/s. BENNETT & CO. will on MONDAY, the 26th August, 1946 at 9 A.M. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Sewri:—

34 B.S.A., 1 Ariel and 50 Norton Motor cycles (Solo).

Terms: Cash and immediate delivery.

Catalogues can be obtained at Rs. 3/- each from the undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHERIAR KAIKHUSHRU TAVAKULI, RASHID KAIKHUSHRU TAVAKULI and NOSHIRWAN KAIKHUSHRU TAVAKULI, the last named a minor by his natural Guardian Kaikhushroo Rashid Tavakuli have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim whatsoever to or against the said property is required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 36, Tamarind Lane, Tamarind House, Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece of Foras land (cess redeemed) with the dwelling house thereon, situate at Balaram Street, admeasuring 922 Sq. Yds. (being part of a larger plot of 1072 7/9 Sq. Yds.) bearing Collector's New No. 13468, New Survey No 6968, C. S. No. 187 of Tardeo Division and assessed under D Ward Nos. 4352 and 4357 and Street No. 31 and bounded on the North and East by property of Singhani Hospital Trust, West by Balaram Street and South by property of Venkanna Elappa Balaram.

Bombay, dated this 19th day of August, 1946.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (9395)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. MARY C. BAPTISTA of Bombay Christian Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property of any sort are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of tension and tax land or ground situate, lying and being at Upper Mahim without the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 4,000 square yards or thereabouts forming part of the bigger piece of land which bears Old Nos. 440, 442 and 449, New Nos. 4223, 4225 and 4238, Old Survey Nos. A/133, A/135 and 135, New Survey Nos. 120, 1/120, 2/190 Cadastral Survey No. 816.

Bombay dated this 19th day of August, 1946.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (9393)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LAXMIBAI, daughter of Laxman Bhavan Bhavsar, KARSONDAS NARANDAS BHAVSAR and BABUBHAI NARANDAS BHAVSAR, all of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

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